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OUTLINES.

The earthquake which wrought devastation and ruin to the province of Calabria and the Island of Sicily was the worse disaster ever known in that country. Between fifty and sixty thousand people are believed to have been killed. The scenes in Messina and other towns are described as fearful ——As the result of a quarrel over the scoring in a target shoot, four men were shot at Stratham, Ga., by Lillius Thurmond, who declared he had been treated unfairly——President-elect Taft will be actively engaged with conferences in regard to the appointments in his Cabinet during the next few days——According to an official dispatch received at Washington, Arthur S. Cheney, American consul at Messina, Sicily, and his wife, were killed as a result of the earthquake ——Judge Waddill authorizes the issuance of $1,000,000 receivers' certificates for the Norfolk and Southern Railroad——In the Hains-Annis murder trial the defense puts on witnesses to prove the improper relations between Captain Hains' wife and Annis, which facts are told to Captain Hains ——Train No. 35 on the Southern Railroad was wrecked by an open switch at Danville, Va., last night. The engineer was killed and fireman and mail clerks were injured——Forty to sixty men were entombed by a coal mine disaster in West Virginia last evening ——Ex-Mayor Ruef is sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary—— In the night rider cases the defense is trying to prove alibis for all the defendants. Some witnesses even give such testimony in reference to persons who have turned State's evidence and said they were present at the killing of Rankin——New York Markets: Money on call firm, at 3 to 3 1-4 per cent., ruling rate 3 1-4, closing bid 3, offered at 3. Flour dull but steady. Wheat firm, No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 1-2 elevator. Corn steady, No. 2 65 1-2 elevator. Oats steady, mixed 54 to 54 1-2. Rosin and turpentine steady. Cotton quiet, middling uplands 9.30, middling gulf 9.55.

What is a bank examiner for if not to find out when bank men are going wrong?

The illness of that Tennessee night rider came in time to save the others for a short while.

We wont display our ignorance by saying that we never heard of Wickersham before.

How is it that the regular bank examiners did not discover the rascality in the Pittsburg banks long ago?

Pennsylvania has been called the State of grafters. Now let her show that she is a state which gives grafters their just deserts.

Surely after Taft's visit to Aiken he can persuade Roosevelt not to put Senator Tillman on the list of undesirable citizens. Otherwise he will have accomplished nothing by his visit.

Mr. Burton of Ohio, does not seem to be as accommodating as was Mr. Woodruff of New York. Maybe he does not think his chances so desperate.

You fellows who are in the habit of "swearing off" on the last day of the year may as well make up your minds to do so "sure enough" tomorrow.

That Ohio Senatorship muddle gets muddier and muddier; but Foraker will be apt to clear the political waters on next Saturday, when the Legislative caucus is to meet.

The evacuation of Cuba by the American military forces will begin Friday. It has not yet been decided at Washington when the next such evacuation will begin. Maybe it will never be.

The Missouri Supreme Court, wanting to get the money, places the fine on the Standard Oil Company at only fifty thousand dollars—a nominal sum as compared with the fine imposed by Judge Landis. Those judges were sensible men.

The men who assassinated ex-Senator Carmack have already received more punishment than they expected. No doubt the denial of bail was a great surprise to them. Judge Hart deserves the commendation of every law-abiding citizen of the country.

The House Ways and Means Committee has taken six thousand pages of testimony on the question of tariff revision. What a good excuse for the Republicans of Congress to refuse to give the people proper relief from the present iniquitous tariff tax.

A Washington dispatch announces that Roosevelt will not only send home the stuffed skins of the big animals and rare birds he kills in Africa —at Government expense—but he expects to send over some live lions and other such animals.

AFFAIRS IN RALEIGH

Great Preparations Being Made For Military Features of Inauguration of Mr. Kitchin.

NINE COMPANIES TO ATTEND

Governor's Pronunciamento as to State Prohibition Law Effective January 1st—Eastern Carolina Teachers' Training School.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 29.—Col. Chas. E. Johnson, chairman of the Raleigh committees for the inauguration of Governor-elect Kitchin, received telegrams today from nine companies of the North Carolina National Guard that they will be on hand for the inaugural ceremonies. They are Battery A, Field Artillery, Charlotte, and companies at Weldon, Henderson, Franklinton, Louisburg, Durham, Clinton, Kinston and Tarboro.

Col. Johnson believes there will be 15 companies including the local company and A. & M. cadets. He names as a committee from the Chamber of Commerce for the inauguration F. A. Olds, B. S. Jerman, R. H. Battle, S. B. Shepherd, T. W. Dobbin, E. C. Smith, with himself as chairman. They will co-operate with committees from other local bodies and the Mayor and Aldermen for civic features of the inauguration which are sure to be among the most elaborate ever seen here.

Two negro boys, Hay Carter and Ed Mitchell, were jailed here today for killing Buck Mitchell, near Rolesville. The boys went to Mitchell's home drunk. Carter made a drunken remark about "hugging" the wife of the deceased. There was a remonstrance by the husband with the result that Carter shot Mitchell, the load taking effect just over the right eye. The boys claim the killing was accidental.

Discussing the going into effect of the State prohibition law in North Carolina January 1st, Governor Glenn says that if he were Governor next year he would see that there was rigid enforcement, even if he had to put a gun in every man's hand and exhaust the State treasury to do it. He insists that, the law having been voted by forty-odd thousand majority, it is entitled to a fair trial of its efficacy.

Revenue officers are still complaining that the sheriffs in the counties are making no effort to break up illicit distilleries, there being possibly a half dozen exceptions to this rule, and and they are free to express the hope that all revenue raiders will be withdrawn from the State and let the State authorities make the fight. There is a movement for the Legislature to appoint special constables in counties for this work to relieve the sheriffs.

Members of the State Board of Education and other State officers will go to Greenville Thursday as the guests of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce and the directors of the Eastern Carolina Teachers Training School for a general inspection of the ground and the buildings in process of construction for this institution which is to be ready for occupancy next Fall. It was the State Board of Education that selected Greenville for the location of the school. The directors will be in annual session on Thursday and the Chamber of Commerce will arrange special entertainment in honor of them, the State officers and the Board.

Supt. of Public Instruction Joyner today received a handsome loving cup as a gift from the Southern States Association of Superintendents of Public Instruction of which he has been president the past three years and secretary theretofore since its organization.

The Post Company, of Rockingham, for the publication of newspaper and general printing business is incorporated with $10,000 capital authorized and $650 paid in by L. G. Fox, Claud Gore and others. The Farmers' Mutual Benevolent Association, Lumberton, is also chartered by James P. Lee and others.

Miles Goodwin, 12 years old, son of a widow here, fell under a Norfolk and Southern train passing out of the yards here yesterday and both feet were badly crushed, rendering him a cripple for life.

Five Salisbury corporations for distilling and dealing in liquor filed notices of dissolution yesterday, their purpose being to go out of business with the coming into effect of the State prohibition law on January 1st.

By an exchange of courts Judge Cooke will hold Franklin court December 11th and Judge Oliver H. Allen Pitt court January 18th.

Clarendon Lodge, K. of P.

On account of vacancies caused by resignations since the recent election of officers, Clarendon Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, last night elected Mr. G. C. Scherer vice chancellor; Mr. H. H. Ford, master of finance, and Mr. W. M. Branch, inside guard. These with the other officers recently elected will be installed the first meeting night in January.

Baggage! Baggage! Baggage! To and from all trains. Orrell Livery Co., 'phone 47. 2t

ANNUAL HOLIDAY GERMAN

Pretty Christmas Dance Last Night in Masonic Temple Ball Room by L'Arioso Club—Many Visitors Present.

The annual Christmas german of L'Arioso Cotillon Club last night in the Masonic Temple ball room, which was ablaze with lights and resplendent with beautiful holiday decorations, was one of the largest and most brilliant social affairs of the season.

Interest in the dance was heightened by the presence of many visiting young ladies and gentlemen and other young people at home from college and elsewhere for the holidays. Excellent music for the dance was discoursed by Hollowbush's Academy Orchestra and the german was one of the most elaborate and pleasant for those who participated yet given by this old and popular organization.

Among the couples present and dancing were Miss Bessie Albright, Mr. W. M. McKoy; Miss Helen Kenly, Mr. E. L. Prince, Jr.; Miss Mary Calder, Mr. Thos. H. Wright; Miss Etta Brand, Mr. C. McD. Davis; Miss Margaret Harris, Mr. Raymond Hunt; Miss Lina DeRosset, Mr. J. Haughton James; Miss Luciana Poisson, Mr. Marion Harriss; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Prince; Miss Smallbones, Mr. James C. Craft; Miss Jane Meares, Mr. E. M. Beery; Miss Agnes McQueen, Mr. C. C. Bellamy; Miss Theo. Cantwell, Mr. W. M. Parsley; Miss Louise LaMar, of Monticello, Fla., Mr. J. E. Croswell; Miss Madeline DeRosset, Mr. Louis T. Moore; Miss Margaret Walker, Mr. H. P. West; Miss Atha Hicks, Mr. L. J. Poisson; Miss Mary Lucas Cantwell, Mr. R. C. Cantwell, Jr.; Miss Sue Prince, Mr. R. A. Williams; Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Williamson; Miss Jean Cronly, Mr. S. M. Boatwright; Miss Charlotte Pleasants, Mr. Edw. P. Bailey; Miss Julia Worth, Mr. Richard L. Meares; Miss Amoret Lord, Mr. L. deR. Belden; Miss King, of New York, Mr. Milton Calder; Miss Katie Grainger, Mr. Victor Grainger, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. B. Willard; Miss Helen Strange, Mr. T. D. Meares, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Grainger; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Seabrease, Philadelphia; Mrs. R. R. Bellamy, Mr. J. Hargrove Taylor; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles, Jr.; Miss Lucile Murchison, Mr. Graham Kenan; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holt; Miss Bessie Bridgers, Mr. Frazier; Miss Margaret Bridgers, Mr. John Robinson, Goldsboro.

Stags—Dr. N. Courtland Curtis, Auburn, Ala.; Dr. R. B. Seem, Mr. P. R. Albright, Mr. H. F. Boatwright and Mr. Homer Giles Day, of New York.

BRUNSWICK'S SPECIAL TERM.

No Extra Term of Court for Trial of Alleged Murderer, Walker.

The special term of Brunswick County Superior Court authorized shortly before the holidays for the especial purpose of giving an early trial to J. P. Walker, the alleged assassin of Sheriff Jackson Stanland, and scheduled to be held by Judge Ward, beginning January 11th, has been revoked by the Governor because of the conflict of date with the regular term of Superior Court of Cumberland county where Solicitor N. A. Sinclair will be engaged for the week. It is stated now that there will be no special term in Brunswick and that Walker will await trial at the regular term in March.

So far as is learned here Walker has as yet employed no counsel to defend him against the terrible charge which he will have to answer and appears to be unconcerned over the outcome in any event. The county of Brunswick, it is understood, will vigorously prosecute the case for a verdict in the first degree, employing extra counsel to assist Solicitor Sinclair for the State. Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, is mentioned in this connection, but whether he has been retained is not known.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICES.

Boys' Brigade Will Observe Pretty Custom at Their Armory This Year

Following its usual custom, the Boys' Brigade invites the public to its watch services, beginning at 11 P. M. Thursday night, Dec. 31st and lasting one hour. A very attractive musical programme has been arranged and the following subjects will be discussed in ten-minute talks by the ministers named:

"Responsibility to Self," by Rev. Mr. Holmes, of Fifth Street Methodist Church.

"Responsibility to Neighbor," by Rev. Mr. Noe, of Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd.

"Responsibility to State," by Rev. Mr. Martin, of Southside Baptist Church.

"Responsibility to Church," by Rev. Mr. Crowley, of Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

"Come and bring your friends," is the invitation extended by the young men of the Brigade.

On Sunday afternoon, January 3rd, at 5 o'clock, Rev. Mr. W. A. Snyder, of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, will address an open meeting at the armory, to which all will be welcome.

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MAKE LAW EFFECTIVE

Mayor Officially Receives Executive Committee of The Law Enforcement League

ITS CO-OPERATION TENDERED

The Proffer Received With Pleasure and Gratification by City's Chief Executive—Officers of Recently Formed Organization.

Assuring him of their hearty co-operation in making as completely effective as possible the State prohibition law which goes into effect January 1st, and expressing their confidence in his ability and determination to do his full duty in the premises, members of the Executive Committee of the recently organized Law Enforcement League in Wilmington yesterday, by appointment, called officially upon Mayor William E. Springer and received from him a most cordial and sincere expression of his appreciation of the tender of the kindly offices of the League, assuring them, in turn, that he felt the need of the co-operation of the public in the difficult problem before him in a rigid enforcement of the law.

The committee was received in the Mayor's office at the City Hall at 1 o'clock, just after the session of the the police court yesterday at noon. The committee was headed by President H. G. Fennell, of the League, and was composed of Messrs. B. C. Moore, first ward; T. W. Wood, second ward; J. A. Taylor, third ward; J. O. Carr, fourth ward, and J. B. Fales, fifth ward. There were in addition to the executive committeemen present Judge C. A. Erwin, pastor of the First Christian Church, vice president of the League, and Mr. George E. Leftwich, the treasurer. Mr. C. L. Browne, the secretary was the only officer not in attendance.

President Fennell presented the gentlemen named to the Mayor and stated that Mr. Taylor had been chosen as spokesman for the delegation. Mr. Taylor in addressing the Mayor went into a thorough analysis of the sitnation as it is presented with the going into effect of the new law and told of the objects and purposes of the Law Enforcement League, which are in no wise to antagonize but to back-up and co-operate with the duly constituted authority in a rigid enforcement of the statutes that govern; accomplishing this by the creation of a wholesome public sentiment and educating the people to a sense of the majesty and supremacy of the law. He spoke fully of the obstacles to be surmounted and the difficulties to be encountered and expressed confidence in the Mayor's willingness and evident determination to do all that lay within his power toward the ends so much desired.

The Mayor in reply to the address of Mr. Taylor first thanked the committee for the honor of the call and stated that words were not at his command to express his great gratification and appreciation of the assurances given for their co-operation in what was admittedly a most difficult proposition. He said first most candidly that he was a prohibitionist but above all he stood for the supremacy of the law and that he was determined to enforce this law to go into effect on January 1st or step down and out if he should prove unequal to the task, and he has never yet admitted that it was an impossibility. He felt, however, that without the hearty co-operation of an aggressive public sentiment behind him, the task would be difficult, therefore he was glad to receive the assurances which had just been tendered him by men who know and realize the situation.

"I'll promise you further," said the Mayor, "from the Chief of Police down to the last officer on the force will be held to strict accountability for the part he should take in the enforcement of the law."

He went on to say that he was just as determined upon this matter as he was ever about anything in his life, first as a duty he owed to himself and secondly as a debt he was due to a citizenship which had honored him with the position he occupied. He again thanked the committee for its call and assured the members of his high appreciation, closing with the statement that he was gratified to see the general public sentiment crystalling in favor of a rigid enforcement of the new law, citing the instance of the Wilmington lodge of Elks, whose action in declaring for an elimination of the buffet in its club rooms he commended.

When the Mayor had concluded. Mr. Taylor, spokesman for the delegation, stated that he was not at all surprised at the position of the chief executive, but it was gratifying to hear his emphatic pronouncement in regard to his purposes and determination.

Mr. J. O. Carr stated that it was the first meeting of the League he had attended but he readily recognized its influence for good, especially in creating public sentiment as he regarded efforts at enforcement of the law well nigh useless without the support of public opinion.

This opened up the question of the jurisdiction of the higher courts and the proceedure there in cases sent over by the Mayor, it being especially desirable that there should be effective juries in dealing with violations of the law, this education of public sentiment being especially desirable in the elevation of the standard of jury service on the county.

Mr. Fennell expressed his appreciation of the position of the Mayor and referred to the difficulties sometimes encountered in the higher courts, stating that it was the purpose to employ counsel to go there for the prosecution of violators where such action appeared necessary.

Judge Erwin made the observation that the courts should not always be blamed with the fail of a prosecution after the cases are sent over. After a charge has rested for some weeks or months, interest in the case tends to abate and the prosecutions are not always so vigorous nor the evidence so complete as at the original trial before the committing magistrate. However, he believed that public enlightenment upon the necessity of an enforcement of the law would tend to elevate the jury service so that there would be comparatively few miscarriages of justice.

The situation was informally discussed between the Mayor and members of the committee at some length after which the callers retired, expressing every satisfaction with their reception by the Mayor.

THE WATER WORKS DEAL

Another Satisfactory Test of Pipe by Committee From Board of Aldermen—Audit and Finance and Finance Board to Meet.

Matters are rapidly shaping themselves for final passage upon the question of municipal ownership of water works at the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Monday night. Yesterday the committee from the Board had another very satisfactory test of the pipes of the Clarendon Water Works Company, which it is proposed to absorb as a part of a new and larger plant if it can be purchased reasonably, and the realization of the proceeds of the bonds sale now only awaits the observance of certain farmalities by the Board of Audit and Finance, which will probably meet on Monday night to finally pass on the question.

The test of the water pipe by the committee yesterday was on Sixth between Princess and Chesnut streets, a section of the four-inch main having been removed after being under ground for the past 27 years. This section is said to have been in even better condition than that previously examined from Front and Dock streets, so that the charge that the pipes are badly corroded and otherwise damaged by electrolysis seems to have fallen flat. The pipe removed yesterday was in excellent condition and was pronounced by persons competent to pass upon such matters, as good as when first laid years ago.

The meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance has been delayed on account of the inability to get a full attendance upon the session, but it is expected that there will certainly be a delay not longer than Monday. In the meantime the city attorney has been asked to give an opinion in writing as to the form and verbiage of the resolution by the Aldermen to be concurred in and the form, verbiage, etc., of the bonds and coupons proposed to be issued. When all these preliminaries are disposed of and the money is in hand, it is safe to say that the Aldermen will take final and decisive action in regard to the purchase or rejection of the existing plant. The Aldermen seem well nigh unanimous in their opinion that the city should not be required to pay more than $140,000, which was the figure tentatively agreed upon when the negotiations were all but concluded about this time last year. The revenues have been increased by the advance in rates, but it is pointed out that this does not increase the value of the property and, if anything, is more than off-set by the depreciation in the value of pipe from ruling prices when the negotiations were on before.

Cargo For Ghent, Belgium.

From the compresses of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son yesterday there was cleared the British steamer Holmlea, Captain Airey, with 5,700 bales of cotton, valued at $285,000, and consigned to Ghent, Belgium, this being the first cargo of the staple from Wilmington to Ghent this season. The receipts at the local port continue very satisfactory, in spite of the more or less demoralization incident to the holidays. Yesterday 1,931 bales were received, of which number 42 were from the upper Cape Fear by the steamer City of Fayetteville.

Here For Operation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Pearsall, of Rocky Point, arrived in the city last evening and are guests at The Colonial Inn. They came to accompany their son, Mr. Norwood Pearsall, 20 years of age, who will undergo an operation for appendicitis this morning at the James Walker Memorial Hospital by Dr. Joseph Akerman. Friends of the young man and the parents trust that the operation will be entirely successful and that the patient will soon be on the road to recovery.

STATE PROHIBITION

Wilmington Making Ready Fast For Change in Long Existing Order of Things.

MUCH TALK ON THE STREETS

Dealers Making the Best of the Situation—Eagles Vote to Eliminate Buffet in Club—Other Aspects of Case.

Wilmington with its fifty-odd saloons, three brewery agencies and two distilleries, is making ready fast for the going into effect of the State prohibition law tomorrow midnight. Although a glance at the books of the City Clerk and Treasurer shows that every one of the dealers has paid his license in full to January 1st, several of the saloons have actually already closed up and the others are preparing to follow suit with the chiming of the midnight hour tomorrow.

One hears but little on the streets nowadays but speculation as to the passing of the saloons, which have existed in Wilmington in one form or another since Colonial days, way back in the seventies. All the local dealers seem reconciled to the change and are making the best of the situation. Many of the mail order houses and others have made their arrangements to move to Norfolk, Richmond and other Virginia cities, while one or two will go even still farther North. A large majority of the dealers, however, are "native and to the manner born" and will remain in Wilmington to engage in some other and more useful occupation. Now that the law has been placed on the statute books, it is safe to say that ninety per cent. of the local dealers are strictly in favor of a rigid enforcement of the law. Many express this wish deeply and sincerely out of respect for the law and the good of the community while there is no concealment of the fact on the part of a few that they are actuated by the feeling that the "best way to get rid of a bad law is to strictly enforce it."

Both the Board of Aldermen and the Board of County Commissioners have gone on record as unalterably opposed to the licensing of drug stores to dispense intoxicants and the talk of establishing a "medical depository" similar to that in several prohibition towns in the State, finds little favor among those who are discussing the probabilities of the change. The average citizen, who is discussing the question, appears to be in favor of "going the whole hog or none," and that will likely be the result in Wilmington for two years at the very least.

The attitude of the clubs toward the prohibition law has been a subject of some speculation but the declaration of at least two such organizations for the elimination of the buffet and intoxicating liquors in their rooms has placed an entirely new aspect on this phase of the question. At the regular meeting of Carolina Aerie No. 1171, Fraternal Order of Eagles, last night the organization voted to cease their buffet service on December 31st and no provision has been made for locker or card systems of dispensing intoxicants to members. The Cape Fear Club, it is understood, has hit upon a plan clearly within the law by which none of the former privileges of members will be abridged by the new law. The Magnolia and Owls clubs, so far as is learned, have taken no action and nothing has been heard as to several other clubs only recently chartered for social purposes by the Secretary of State.

At any rate, Wilmington promises to be quite a dry little burg after the first, or at least after "left overs" are consumed. "Good Bye Old Booze" will be the refrain after the stroke of 12, midnight, tomorrow. Many of the dealers have been doing a "closing out" business for the past week or ten days and those bibulously inclined have provided themselves temporarily against the exigencies of the occasion Others have formed mail order connections with the dealers just across the line and express deliveries will be quite frequent until patrons jade under the inconvenience of the thing. Elsewhere in today's paper is given an indication of how the law will be enforced against blind tigers. The change tomorrow night will be observed with much interest by the public at large, regardless of their interest in the prohibition issue.

Academy Improvements.

Under the direction of Chairman K. W. Jewell, of the Public Building Committee of the Board of Aldermen, a number of improvements are being made at the Academy of Music by which the city will receive a substantial reduction in insurance rates on the entire building. The contract is to Mr. R. H. Brady and the work will cost in the neighborhood of $200.

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THE TARIFF.

The more we read about the hearing before the House Ways and Means Committee on the tariff question, the more convinced do we become that General Hancock was right when he said the tariff was a local issue. This hearing has fully demonstrated the truth of that fact. Especially has it been demonstrated as to the Democrats of the South who have heretofore been supposed to be low tariff Democrats. When this hearing began the press of the South held off while men representing different interests were crowding the committee room declaring themselves to be low tariff men politically, but each one begging for high tariff on the article he is specially interested in producing.

Carnegie is one of the few men who has gone before the committee and declared that one of the great industries of the country no longer needs the protection of a high tariff, and it is said that he did this only after he had made as big a fortune as he wants through the—what might be called—illegal profits given to his company by the protective tariff.

It may be that some Southern men interested in manufactures or other industries have gone before that committee and advocated reduction of the tariff, but if there have been any such we now fail to call them to mind. The general rule has been that the Southern low tariff Democrat has been as insistent as the most high tariff Republican in asking for a protective duty when it comes to passing on the particular article of commerce in which he is engaged in producing or manufacturing.

The above is the course which the individuals pecuniarily interested have taken, and for a while they did not have the support of the Democratic press of the South which has always advocated a reduction of the tariff rates as provided for in the Dingley bill; but we are sorry to see that the press of the South has begun to fall into line with that class of self-interest seekers who are in their individual cases repudiating the fundamental principle of their party. We are glad to record that there are a few exceptions among the press of the South—some papers which stand by the principle, regardless of supposed local interests. Some of the papers which take the other course and, while claiming to be advocates of the general principle of tariff reduction, seek to produce arguments in favor of retention or increase of the present customs duties on the products of local interests, go to extremes in producing arguments in favor of keeping the high tariff rates on such local products. Of this class of argument we find the following in an editorial in the New Orleans Picayune:

"There are two powerful arguments in favor of not disturbing the sugar schedule. The first and paramount is that sugar produces more revenue now, so sorely needed, than any other article. If any of this revenue be sacrificed by a reduction of duties, or by making concessions to the Philippines or Cuba sugars, it will not be easy to supply the revenue by increasing taxes on any other article. With a deficit of probably $114,000,000 staring the country in the face for the end of the fiscal year, it would be supreme folly to disturb a tariff schedule which produces $60,000,000 of revenue annually.

"The second argument in favor of retaining the sugar schedule untouched is the fact that the incidental protection it affords has greatly stimulated the domestic sugar production, and promises to still further increase it in years to come. That the sugar duty is by no means prohibitive is proven by the immense consumption of foreign sugar in the United States. The total consumption of sugar last year exceeded 7,000,000,000 pounds, or about 82.6 pounds per capita. Of the total, only 21.3 per cent was produced at home. This heavy per capita consumption shows plainly that the sugar duty is no restriction on consumption, nor is sugar considered a luxury among our people."

Because the American sugar consumers pay a tax of sixty million dollars is an argument that such tax should be continued in order that the few thousand sugar producers in this country should be enabled to continue to make the present profit on their production, secured to them by the present tariff rates on sugar.

The lumber men are another class who demand that their business should be protected. They put up the plea that the reduction of the duty on lumber would not benefit the consumer. In reply to this an exchange remarks:

"Perhaps not, but how do they account for the fact that as soon as the tariff was put on lumber the price to the consumer shot up? One event following another is not necessarily caused by it, but in the matter of the tariff and the price of lumber there is an exceedingly close connection."

We would like for the lumber men to explain how they could be hurt by a reduction in the tariff on lumber if such reduction would not reduce the price of the products of their mills to those who are their customers.

THE WYATT MONUMENT.

Cannot the people of North Carolina raise the requisite sum for erecting a suitable monument in the Capitol square to that Wyatt, the first Confederate soldier who lost his life in defense of his State and of his country—for the Confederacy was then his country? Of course they can. We should, rather, ask will not the people of our State do this? It is a shame to them and a disgrace that it has not been done long ago. Time and again this appeal has been made to them and still it is unanswered. There should never have been necessity for but one such call. To the shame of our people there has been call after call, appeal time and again and still the requisite amount has not been raised. The opportunity is now offered for raising the sum needed, as is shown by the following editorial from the News and Observer:

"Under the lead of the Selma Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, zealously assisted by Captain John A. Mitchener, $844 has been raised for the Wyatt Memorial, lacking only 156 of the first thousand needed as a fine beginning to erect on the Capitol Square in Raleigh a memorial to Henry L. Wyatt, of Edgecombe county, the first man to give his life for the Southern Confederacy.

"A letter last night states that a gentleman of means has offered to give an additional $1,000 to the fund provided the first $1,000 is raised by Friday, the first day of January. Only $156 must be raised, therefore, within the next three days to insure that the fund will be $2,000 on the first day of the New Year. In a private letter Captain Mitchener said: 'Now to get this special gift of $1,000, the Daughters of the Confederacy need to raise only $156 more by Friday. Urge them to come to the rescue. The Wyatt monument will then be a certainty and can be unveiled on the tenth day of next June, the forty-eighth anniversary.'

"This appeal should meet with instant response. There are at least sixteen Chapters of the Daughters who can easily raise $10 each within three days to guarantee the needed $156 by Friday. Let them act at once. Contributions should be sent to Captain John A. Mitchener, Selma, N. C., or if sent to The News and Observer they will be acknowledged in this paper and the money forwarded to Captain Mitchener.

"Let the money be fully subscribed today."

THE FIRST AND THE LAST.

"The Baltimore Sun says the first cocktail was made by a North Carolinian in 1836 or thereabouts. The uncertainty is as to date, not the birthplace of the inventor. Of course Carolina is first in war, first in peace, and first in the early morning."—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

"There is no uncertainty at all, contemporary. The date was Wednesday, April 17th, 1846—not 1836—the place Bladensburg, Md., the dueling ground of the statesmen and diplomats at Washington; to be more exact, the spot was the bar of the Palo Alto Hotel, and the artist who mixed the first cocktail that was ever born was Jack Henderson, who was born in North Carolina. More details yet on tap, contemporary, if you want them. We strive to please."

The next question is who will be the person in North Carolina to make the last cocktail before the final closing of the saloons in this State which will occur at one minute to twelve o'clock tomorrow night.

A Charlotte negro, according to the Evening Chronicle, declares that the police of that city, during the Christmass holidays "paid more attention to the capture of booze from colored folks than from white." Wasn't that a violation of some one of the latter amendments to the Federal Constitution?

Had Roosevelt sent competent and honest bank examiners to Pittsburg some time ago it would not have been necessary for him to "rush" six expert examiners to that city on the development of wholesale fraud and corruption in banking and commercial circles there.

The Charlotte Chronicle calls attention to the peculiar fact that while the majority for prohibition in this State last Spring was about fifty thousand the candidate for President of that party did not receive a single vote in this State in the National election last month.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Since Uncle Sam's various accessions of far outlying territory there is now no hour in the twenty-four in which the sun is not shining somewhere within the jurisdiction of the Stars and Stripes. When England first made the same boast America was still an infant in swaddling clothes and formed part of those "British dominions upon which the orb of the day never sets." Now we divide the globe with her.—Virginian-Pilot.

—The supremacy of the law is the first principle of popular government. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press depend upon it, as does all other freedom. When a free press challenges the law it challenges the guaranty of its own existence. There is always an appeal to the people against unjust laws. The courts are open to appeal against unconstitutional laws. But there is no opportunity under stable and safe government for the defiance of law. Neither prejudice nor friendly interest should disguise the issue in this case.—Boston Herald.

—Mr. Taft spent his Christmas in the heart of the enemy's country, to use Mr. Bryan's phrase. And the manner in which he spent it may prove as auspicious to the country as characteristic and agreeable to himself. It was a Georgian, and a voter for Bryan, who presented a native holly tree to his friend, the enemy, and his future President, the President of the South as well as of the North. There was evergreen mistletoe on the holly tree—emblematic of what may be hoped for the new era of good feeling. Mr. Taft will return the visit of Mr. Hack, but spent Christmas day in suitable festivities around Mr. Hack's Christmas tree.—New York Times.

—The average man who travels or who reads outside papers is sometimes misled into believing that other parts of the country are enjoying much greater prosperity than we of New Orleans are experiencing. Speculative activity in Wall Street and high prices for grain in Western markets furnish, it is true, rather convincing statistics; but the real truth is that general trade everywhere, while greatly improved over what it was at the height of the depression last spring, has by no means reached the proportions that existed prior to the financial flurry. Conservatism and economy are still the rule, and the return to the full flood of activity must of necessity take time.—New Orleans Picayune.

—The jail sentences given in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to Messrs. Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, respectively president, vice president and secretary of the American Federation of Labor, raise only one issue. That issue bears no more than an incidental relation to the dispute between the Bucks Stove and Range Company and the three men named. The odious boycott system practiced by Mr. Gompers and his associates is not the issue itself but what led the Federation of Labor officials to raise it. Are there in the United States today any men who stand above the law and can safely obey or disobey it as may suit their purposes? This is the question which now presses for an answer.—Charlotte Observer.

—President Roosevelt does not believe in orphan asylums. Instead, he would have "destitute and neglected, but not delinquent," children distributed among families where they will be surrounded by real home influences. The Journal agrees with the President, and has in mind the excellent work of the Children's Home Society of Virginia, of which the Rev. Dr. W. J. Maybee is the executive head. The President, writing to a number of prominent men inviting them to attend a conference at the White House on January 25th says: "I am confident that you will be impressed with the very great importance of the subject touched on in this letter and the desirability that there should be the fullest discussion of the propositions a memorandum of which I enclose. Surely nothing ought to interest our people more than the care of the children who are destitute and neglected but not delinquent."—Richmond Journal.

—The sentence of imprisonment imposed upon Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, and Frank Morrison for contempt of court promises to make this case a famous precedent, however, it may be decided by the highest court. Doubtless the suggestion will be made that these men would not have received jail sentences if they had been representatives of rich corporations, and in some quarters an effort may be made to show that the courts discriminate between rich and poor in dealing out punishment. But there is no merit in the contention as applied to this case. If any corporation were guilty of "wilful disobedience and deliberate violation of an injunction" it is extremely probable that its responsible officers would be adjudged guilty of contempt and punished by imprisonment. No corporation has thus invited the rebuke of the courts, and it is possible that if Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell, and Morrison had had the benefit of legal counsel as able as that at the disposal of great corporations, they would not have gone so far.—Washington Post.

TWINKLINGS.

—The Fewer the Better—The fewer creditors a man has the easier it is for him to look the world in the face.—St. Louis Times.

—Regrets.—What a man regrets about money he squanders one way is he can't also squander it another.—New York Press.

—Hard Up.—Facetious Friend—Are you going to hang up your stocking this Christmas? Man (dead broke)—No; I'm going ot hang up my watch.—Baltimore American.

—In Crossing Pactolus.—"What, sir, would you say was the greatest stepping stone in your career?" "Rocks," replied the magnate, laconically.—Boston Transcript.

—A Dilemma.—Justin—Way are you looking so disconsolate and intently at Miss Oldcash? Hardup—I'm just trying to decide between her and the plumbing business.—Chicago News.

—Naturalized German (trying to excuse himself from service on jury)—But I don't understand good English, Judge (looking at lawyers who are to try the case)—Don't worry. You won't hear any here.—Judge.

—No More Wireless for Him—Millionaire—Don't talk to me about new inventions. I had the wireless telegraphy installed at my house, and people borrowed money off me from all quarters of the world.—Fliegende Blaetter.

—Mr. Justintroduced—Who is that awfully homely man over there in the corner, Mrs. Hobson? Mrs. Hobson—That is Mr. Hobson. Mr. J.—Ah, how true it is that the homeliest men always marry the prettiest wives.—Puck.

—Says a correspondent: "My son, Jimmy, came home from school yesterday crying as if his heart would break. 'For heaven's sake, stop it, my son!' I commanded. 'Did you yell that way all the way down the street?' "N—no,' he sobbed. 'I started when I got to th' front door.'"—Cleveland Leader.

—Webster's Weekly: The Statesville Landmark corrects Chairman Eller in the statement that the Democrats lost the Legislature in 1882, following the State prohibition election of 1881. The Legislature elected that year was Democratic, it says, and re-elected Ransom to the Senate. Hon. Geo. M. Rose was Speaker of the House. In 1886, the Landmark says, the Republicans and Independents had a majority in the House and elected the editor of The Weekly as Speaker. Which is correct, so far as it goes, but it dont' go quite far enough to do justice to Chairman Eller and The Weekly. Chairman Eller slipped up on the Legislature being lost in 1882, but The Landmark will recall that the Democrats had a mighty close shave on Congressman-at-large. Hon. Risden Tyler Bennett defeating Hon. O. H. Dockery, the Republican war horse of the Pee Dee, by only four or five hundred majority in the entire State. And 1882 was the year the editor of The Weekly, who was the regular Democratic nominee for the Legislature in this county, was defeated by a combination of Republicans and bolting Democrats. What followed in 1886 was made necessary by what took place in 1882. It is well to keep history straight.

—Wilson, Dec. 26.—About two o'clock in the afternoon a black cloud hovered over the city, and for a while it thundered, the lightning darted in every direction, the wind roared and rain and hail came down in torrents This correspondent is informed by Dr. F. D. Swindell, pastor of the Methodist church, that a gentleman who was standing in the postoffice door when the storm was at its worst, saw a funnel-shaped cloud blacker than the black clouds in the background, pass directly over the church. The tail of this cyclonic cloud struck a chimney just over the organ room of the church, breaking off the chimney short with the hip of the roofing as though it had been a frail reed. The chimney fell with such force on the roof that the plastering overhead in the pastor's study was scattered to the floor. Workmen were sent for and blankets were wrapped around the organ to keep it from being damaged by the weather.

—Our scare-head bacteriologists might not unjustly be called yellow germanists. It may be the fault of the press to a certain extent, but it must be partly the fault of the bacteriologists, that the columns of newspapers teem with tales of the prevalence and deadliness of germs, which, if taken at their face value, might create a great deal of needless misery. The point that is never brought out in these grisly stories is that the person who is in good health has a rather good armor against germs, and that while the bacilli may be found by scientists all over the communion cup, silver coins, bank notes, your friends' hands or Penelope's lips, many millions of persons take communion, carry money in their pockets, eat cherries, kiss Penelope when they get the opportunity and die of old age in the eighties or nineties.—Courier-Journal.

While attempting to fill an alcohol lamp in their home in Richmond last night, Mrs. Alfred Miles and Miss Julia Tyler, grand-daughters of former President John Tyler, and daughters of Lyon G. Tyler, president of William and Mary College, narrowly escaped serious injury from the explosion of the lamp.

The steamer Admiral Schley, upon her arrival in New York yesterday, reported passing the schooner Warner Moore abandoned and in a waterlogged condition not far off the coast of Virginia.

Would Mortgage the Farm.

A farmer on Rural Route 2, Empire, Ga., W. A. Floyd by name, says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured the two worst sores I ever saw: one on my hand and one on my leg. It is worth more than its weight in gold. I would not be without it if I had to mortgage the farm to get it." Only 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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(Signed) W. A. BARKER.

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The Daring Pike.

The boldness of a pike is very extraordinary. I have seen one follow a bait within a foot of the spot where I have been standing, and the head keeper of Richmond park assured me that he was once washing his hand at the side of a boat in the great pond in that park when a pike made a dart at it and he had but just time to withdraw it.

A gentleman now residing in Weybridge, in Surrey, informed me that, walking one day by the side of the river Wey near that town, he saw a large pike in a shallow creek. He immediately pulled off his coat, tucked up his shirt sleeves and went into the water to intercept the return of the fish to the river and to endeavor to throw it upon the bank by getting his hands under it.

During this attempt the pike, finding he could not make his escape, seized one of the arms of the gentleman and lacerated it so much that the wound took a month to heal.—London Fishing Gazette.

He Caught O'Connell.

Daniel O'Connell, the famous orator, when taking a ride in the neighborhood of his house had occasion to ask an urchin to open a gate for him. The little fellow complied with much alacrity and looked up with such an honest pleasure at rendering the slight service that O'Connell said:

"When I see you again I'll give you sixpence."

Riding briskly on, he soon forgot the incident and fell to thinking of graver matters, when, after traveling some miles, he found his path obstructed by some fallen timber, which a boy was stoutly endeavoring to remove. On looking more closely he discovered it to be the same boy he had met in the morning.

"What!" cried he. "How do you come to be here now?"

"You said, sir, the next time you seen me you'd give me sixpence," said the little fellow, wiping the perspiration from his brow.

The Very Thing.

The old gentleman poked his nose in and out of the mysterious corners of the furniture shop.

"By the way," he said suddenly, "my daughter has just started to—er—have a young man come calling, and I suppose I really ought to get a pretty sofa for them to make love on."

"Most certainly, sir!" responded the suave shopman. "And here, I think, I have the very thing you need. It is called 'Cupid's Retreat' and is specially suited for courting couples."

"Specially suited?" repeated the old gentleman. "Well, what is its particular good point?"

"Why, sir, the particular good point is this—the pretty covering you see before you is guaranteed to wear off in just one year."

"And what on earth's the use of that?" asked the old gent.

"Why, sir, because it leaves displayed a card upon which are written the words, 'Time to get married!' Neat, isn't it?"—London Answers.

Queer Virginia Oysters.

But, sure enough, did you know there were some oysters, and Virginia oysters at that, which cannot live always under sheets of water? The seaside oyster does not grow in deep water, say over ten feet, and the most and best of them grow in water so shoal that it is dry ebb half the time. These latter are the most prolific seed bearers we have, but they will die if planted in deep water or in the Chesapeake bay. The inside or bay oyster should never ebb bare to thrive best. Singular, isn't it, that the Virginia oysters, one and the same bivalves, can lead a double life, but only one phase of it at a time! The seaside fellow must be out of water a good portion of his time to thrive, while the bay and river fellow will die in summer and freeze in winter if exposed to the air.—Virginia Citizen.

The Roast.

"To judge woman by her looks is to court error," said a well known woman. "I know a man who while carving at a dinner wished to say something that would please the pale, deep eyed, spirituelle girl at his side.

"'How do you like Maeterlinck?' he at last inquired.

"'Well done,' she answered, not once lifting her eyes from the great roast he was working on."—Washington Post.

A Difficult Case.

A physician received late one evening a note from three of his fellow practitioners:

"Please step over to the club and join us at a rubber of whist."

"Emilie, dear," he said to his wife, "here I am called away again. It appears to be a difficult case—there are three other doctors on the spot already."

New.

"I want you," said the stage manager, "to play the part of a banker, and I want you to try to play it with a touch of originality."

"All right," responded Yorick Hamm, "I'll leave off the mutton chop whiskers."—Kansas City Journal.

The Difficulty.

"Could you bring yourself to live in a flat on $4 a week?"

"I could, Harold," answered the pampered yet unspoiled darling. "But I do not know just how it would suit my French maid."—London Tatler.

The Real Question.

"Where does he get his money?"

"I don't know where he gets his, and I don't care. What I am interested in is knowing just how he gets mine."—Nashville American.

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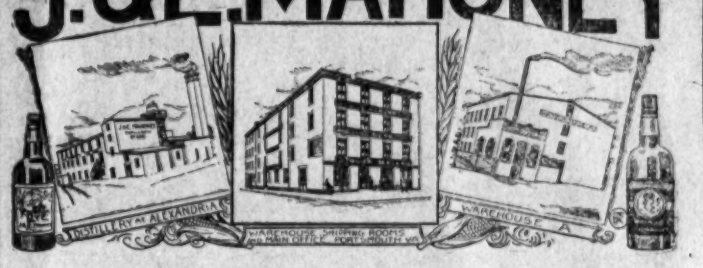

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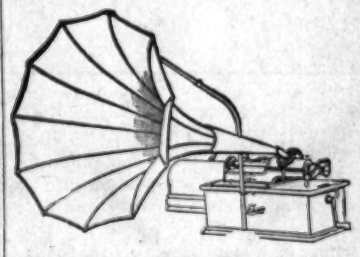

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Wednesday, December 30, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 30, 1908.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Tuesday, Dec. 28:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 44 degrees; 8 P. M. 54 degrees; maximum 66 degrees; minimum 43 degrees; mean 54 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; for the month 2.12 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Monday at 8 A. M. 17.8 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Rain Wednesday and possibly Thursday; warmer Wednesday; much colder Thursday night; southeast winds increasing and shifting to South.

Port Calendar—Dec. 30.

Sun Rises.....7:11 A. M.
Sun Sets.....4:54 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 44 min.
High water at Southport 1:43 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 3:49 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Gieschen Bros—Remember.
Crystal Palace—Holiday Bill.
Naval Reserves—Notice to Members
Palace Market—Turkeys, Chickens, Oysters.
Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association—New Series.

LOCAL DOTS.

—First Church of Christ, Scientist, Market and 17th streets: Services this evening at 8:15 o'clock. All are invited.

—Aaron Harroll, colored, charged with assaulting Peter Nixon was arrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Piver and committed to jail to await trial in Justice Bornemann's court today.

—In the police court yesterday L. M. Brown, colored, for an assault with a deadly weapon on John Miller, was tried but the charge was changed to simple assault, the Mayor requiring a fine of $5 and the costs in the case.

—V. M. Gilbert and wife have purchased from Geo. L. Brown and wife, eight acres of land, more or less, on east side of the Federal Point road, 2,770 feet south of the intersection of the line of the McIlhenney tract and the Federal Point road.

—One of the neatest and most serviceable of the New Year souvenirs being sent out is a handsome leather purse and card case from the Coca Cola Bottling Works, in this city. It is a neat little device and will be appreciated by all into whose possession it comes.

—The Star has with the compliments of the season very handsome calendars for the New Year from the Navassa Guano Co., and the N. Jacobi Hardware Co., the latter being an especially pretty design, presenting a hunting scene, "The First Lesson—Steady," attracting particular attention to the Peters Cartridge Company's products for which the Jacobi Hardware Company, is the agent for this territory.

LEAP YEAR DANCE.

Young Ladies of Howard Relief Club Entertained Young Men Friends.

A very pretty and altogether delightful Leap Year dance was given last night by a number of the young ladies of the Howard Relief Club complimentary to their young gentlemen friends of the same organization. The decorations were very pretty and elaborate and the affair was a charming success in every particular. At 11:30 o'clock an elegant supper was served and the young people in attendance received unique favors in the form of Merry Widow Hats for the ladies and miniature straw hats for the gentlemen. The delightful affair continued until an early hour this morning.

Among the couples present and dancing during the evening were: Miss Katherine Gieschen, Mr. F. W. Ortmann; Miss Carrie Ortmann, Mr. F. Tiencken; Miss Gesine Haar, Mr. Carl Fick; Miss Hazel Kenney, Mr. John Oldenbuttel; Miss Alma Miller, Mr. Conrad Wessell; Miss Louise Vollers, Mr. Will Banck; Miss Katherine Vollers, Mr. Louis Hanson; Miss Katherine Mohr, Mr. Will Dock; Miss Gesine Mohr, Mr. Fred Banck; Miss Josie Schulken, Mr. J. D. Doscher, Jr., Miss Lucile Polvogt, Mr. William Bellois; Miss Etta Fick, Mr. L. W. Wessell; Miss Fannie Stolter, Mr. Carl Miller; Miss Florence Wessell, Mr. Will Stemmerman; Miss Amelia Stelling, Charleston, Mr. E. Eberhardt; Miss Louise Fick, Mr. Fred Duls.

Chaperones—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Vollers, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gieschen and Miss Elise Ortmann.

FOUR PER CENT. DIVIDEND.

Southern National Bank Provides Xmas Present for Stockholders.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern National Bank held yesterday, a dividend of four per cent. in addition to that of July 1st was declared, payable to all stockholders of record on aJnuary 1st. This is the fifth dividend since the bank was reorganized three years ago and it is quite gratifying to know of the continued progress and prosperity of the institution.

At Church of Good Shepherd.

On New Year's eve a special service will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd, corner of Sixth and Queen streets. Preceding an address by Rev. Thos. P. Noe, the rector, will be prayers and music, and the service will close at midnight with communion. The service will begin at 11:30 o'clock and following the address of the rector, those who wish to retire from the church will be given an opportunity.

The New Year

Begin it right, open an account with The People's Savings Bank, and you will get your interest April 1st. 3t

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. A. R. Sullivan has returned from Atlanta where he spent Christmas.

—Miss Etta Richardson, of Whiteville, spent yesterday in Wilmington on a short visit.

—Mr. J. R. Williams, who spent Christmas in Fayetteville, has returned home.

—Mr. C. E. Porcher has returned from Chester, S. C., his old home where he spent Christmas.

—Mr. A. B. Curtis, who spent Christmas in Spartanburg, S. C., has returned home.

—Dr. Ernest Bulluck is here for the holidays from Baltimore where he is pursuing his medical studies.

—Mr. L. J. DeVane, who spent the holidays in Wilmington, has returned to his home.

—Mr. N. E. Bunting has returned from spending Christmas at his former home in Fayetteville.

—Dr. Holt Burroughs, of Conway, S. C., was among yesterday's arrivals in the city on a business trip.

—Mr. C. D. McGowen, a leading business man of Magnolia, spent yesterday in the city on a business trip.

—Mr. Marsden S. Smith, who spent the holidays at his old home here, has returned to Spartanburg, S. C.

—Mr. A. M. Faison and A. K. Powers, Esq., of Burgaw, were in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Miss Josephine Ashe, of Raleigh, is in the city, the guest of her cousin, Mrs. S. A. Stockard, at 706 Chestnut street.

—Graham Kenan, Esq., returned last evening from Kenansville, N. C., where he spent the holidays with friends and relatives.

—Mr. C. M. Brand, the popular A. C. L. trainmaster with headquarters at Sumter, S. C., is in the city to spend a few days.

—Mr. J. H. Shelley, who spent Christmas at his old home in Newberry, S. C., has returned to Wilmington.

—Among yesterday's arrivals were John M. Boyd, Salisbury; W. L. Williams, Jr., Raleigh, and W. J. Johnson, of Red Springs.

—Mr. Sam Nichols, formerly of Wilmington and connected with the police department, is in the city from Tarboro to spend the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Koch and children have returned from Newbern where they spent the Christmas holidays most pleasantly with relatives and friends.

—Mr. J. W. Rivenbark, formerly of this city but now of Jacksonville, Fla., returned to his home yesterday after spending the holidays in Wilmington with friends and relatives.

THE MASQUERADERS.

Police Issue Permits by Hundreds to Young and Old Alike.

As usual during the Christmas holidays, throngs of men, women and children, both white and colored, have applied at the City Hall during the past few days and obtained permission from Chief of Police Williams to masquerade on the streets. The police have been ususually busy and as a result several hundred permits have been distributed for "cooning" parties in all parts of the city.

The masqueraders in their night prowlings about the city, clad in clothes suitable for the outing and with their faces hid behind masks, come in contact with others enjoying the fun and the bitterest of enemies become the best of friends. The permission for the many who enjoy these nightly outings, expires with the first of the year and large parties will likely be seen until after New Year's night.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BAXTER.

Remains Accompanied to Goldsboro Yesterday Morning—Services.

Accompanied by the grief-stricken young husband, Mr. "Jack" Shannon, a brother; Mrs. R. H. McKoy, a relative; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGowan and Mr. Frank G. Harriss, friends of the family, and Rev. Wm. E. Cox, rector of St. John's, the remains of the late Mrs. Lucy Shannon Baxter, wife of Mr. William I. Baxter, were taken yesterday morning to Goldsboro and after funeral services from the Episcopal Church there, conducted by Rev. Mr. Cox, the remains were laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery there. In token of the great esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Baxter were held in their former home town, a great number of friends met the funeral party at the station and the floral tributes were very handsome. Those who composed the funeral party returned to the city last evening.

Southside Philathea Class.

The Philathea Class of Southside Baptist Sunday School at its recent semi-annual meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing term: President, Mrs. L. G. Bass; vice president, Miss Bertha Devaun; secretary, Miss Lottie Fales; assistant secretary, Miss Mollie Holton; treasurer, Miss Mamie Robbins; assistant, Miss Annie Walker; literature committee, Miss Bevie Fales, Ophelia Pearson, Eula Mason; visiting committee, Mrs. Annie Symons, Miss Gertrude Sykes, Jennie Thomas; teacher, Mrs. J. F. Littleton; assistant teacher, Mrs. W. H. Dyson. The class expects to do more and better work in all lines the coming year. The two classes, Baraca and Philathea, will support this year an orphan at the Thomasville Orphanage.

A Healthy Family.

"Our whole family has enjoyed good health since we began using Dr. King's New Life Pills, three years ago," says L. A. Bartlet, of Rural Route 1, Guilford, Maine They cleanse and tone the system in a gentle way that does you good. 25c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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The Theatre

The Crystal Palace is this week making what it calls its "holiday offering" and it is said to be a delightful and most festive one. It is also given, as the Palace management says, to atone for last week's offering. It's true that last week being an off-week in the show business, Christmas coming at the last-end, why the usual strong bill was not expected, but several of the acts proved a disappointment to the management, not coming up to expectations and the usual high standard of the theatre. However, this week the bill is on the other extreme and is not only guaranteed by the management, but has been pronounced a good one by those who witnessed it yesterday. Every act is a fine one, but Petite Lois will probably be the favorite. She is a charming and pretty youngster who does some really wonderful dancing. She introduces the acrobatic toe dance and her graceful execution calls for several encores. Ben Fagan, known as the "boy with the dope book," is also on the bill and is presenting a splendid blackface act. The Williamses, comedy sketch artists, also appear and are being seen in a most vigorously enacted skit that calls for roars of laughter. Another popular artist is Chas. Mears, "the boy who plays everything on the bugle." The Dunn Sisters being compelled to cancel at the last minute this act was obtained in their stead and it is indeed a novelty. It is something out of the ordinary and greatly pleases.

Lubin Films at Bijou.

The Bijou this afternoon and evening will offer as the new films, "Hubby's Vacation" and "All on Account of a Butterfly." The first relates the story of a husband who goes away and writes home daily to "wifey" but doesn't neglect the opportunity of her absence to have a good time. In one of his letters he expresses loneliness and the "wifey" goes unannounced to join him. She finds him in the police station after a strenuous career, hauling him home with a solemn promise to go with "hubby" on his next vacation. The "Butterfly" film is the story of an eccentric old professor whose chase for "specimens" leads him everywhere, a very funny comic subject that is bound to please.

XMAS AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Beautiful Exercises Yesterday Evening Lutheran Sunday School.

Most delightful and entertaining in every respect were the Christmas exercises yesterday evening by the Sunday School of St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, on North Fourth street. The church was crowded and chairs from the Sunday School room had to be brought in to accommodate those who desired to witness the pretty affair.

The programme was a regular Christmas service sent out by a Lutheran publishing house and it was observed with great beauty and effectiveness. The young people acquitted themselves most creditably in the exercises which consisted of songs, recitations, tableaux, etc., special features having been the formation of a cross by the young folks with recitations by each and then in concert, and a "Bethlehem Battalion," in which the "Sword of the Spirit," the "Helmet of Salvation" and other Biblical sentiments were splendidly represented. Following the lighting of the tree, Rev. Geo. S. Bearden made a splendid address giving the customs of the earlier Christians and the modes and customs of celebrating Christmas in every land. Later there was a presentation of gifts to 91 children, who received red stockings jammed with good things appropriate to the gladsome holiday.

Special gifts by the school consisted of a pulpit edition of the hymnal and prayer book to the pastor and a handsome silk umbrella to the superintendent of the school, Mr. W. W. Koch. The school also made a very substantial Christmas offering for school and church purposes. The entertainment was a magnificent success in every particular and one which was greatly enjoyed by quite everyone in attendance.

"Rockefeller of Supreme Lodge."

The editor of the New Jersey Pythian, in publishing a symposium of Christmas greetings to officers of the Supreme Lodge of the K. of P. in the United States has the following reference to Supreme Master of Exchequer Meares, of this city, conferring upon him a new title which his friends will heartily appreciate. The New Jersey editor says: "To Col. Thos. D. Meares, the Rockefeller of the Supreme Lodge, not in oily tricks, but in matters substantial, may his genial smile never be lost nor his dry humor fail, but with each returning smile and sparkling wit may the bright cheer of Yule Time bring the return of joy and blessings to his own heart."

Mr. Bellamy Not Improved.

A telephone message from El Paso, Brunswick county, late yesterday evening stated that there was no material change either way in the condition of Mr. George H. Bellamy, who has been critically ill with something like peritonitis the past two days. It is understood that the attending physicians have strongly advised an operation but that the patient will not consent to it and other means are being resorted to in effecting his restoration to health, if possible. There were many inquiries here yesterday as to his condition.

The New Year.

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Agents, New Idea Patterns Carhartt Overalls.

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All Toys and Fancy Goods at Cost and Less Than Cost

Car Fare Paid on Purchases of $2 and Over

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PRETTY CHRISTMAS EVENT

Merry Evening at First Baptist Sunday School Last Night.

Enjoyable and appropriate Christmas exercises by the First Baptist Sunday School last evening, proved a most interesting and happy event for the large number of members and their friends present. Every feature of the well arranged entertainment, even to the decorations, bore marked resemblance to the Christmas season and the older people, as well as the young, were elated over the success of the affair.

The Sunday school room sparkled in its abundant decoration of pretty green and red, artistically formed into rolls, which suspended from the rostrum to all parts of the room and the appearance accentuated by the large red Christmas bells was most vivid. An old Colonial fireplace formed the setting at the back of the rostrum and added a unique finish to the scene.

In commemoration of the Christmas time, and following a custom of others Baptist churches in the State, each class contributed gifts to the Thomasville Orphanage. The names of the classes were read and they proceeded to the rostrum bearing their presents, which made a large collection of the most useful things. Music for the occasion was well rendered by the orchestra of the Sunday School.

An excellent literary programme was greatly enjoyed, as follows: "Annie's and Willie's Prayer" part one—Miss May Kingsbury, part two—Miss Sallie Kingsbury; "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night," Miss Mary Fennell; "Santa Claus, Jr.," Miss Eliza Collins; Poem, with music accompaniment, "No, Room at the Inn," Miss Mattie Maultsby; cutting from "The Only Wise Man," Guy LeMoyne. Mr. G. E. Leftwich, superintendent of the Sunday School, had charge of the exercises, which were a credit alike to superintendent and pupils.

Entertained Wedding Party.

Mrs. Herbert Thompson, of Baltimore, yesterday gave to the Covington-Murphy bridal party a delightful oyster roast at the cottage of Mrs. W. H. Northrop, on Wrightsville Beach. It was an ideal afternoon. The party had a special car chartered, leaving Front and Princess streets at 1:30 o'clock and returning at 5 o'clock. Those in attendance will not soon forget the hospitality of their hostess and her genius in planning and carrying out a trip which afforded so much pleasure. Those in the party were Misses Nora and Marguerite Thompson, and Bessie Reiger, Mrs. Mabel Covington, Mrs. Louis Covington, Mrs. C. C. Covington, Mrs. D. H. Ray, Mrs. W. H. Chambers, Mrs. Thomas H. Sutton, Mrs. H. D. Thompson and Master Edwin Thompson, Miss Isabelle Brown, Miss Keith Covington, Miss Faith Covington, Miss Dell Sutton, Miss Annie Bell, Messrs. C. C. Covington, C. M. Brand, W. L. Williams, Eric Norden, I. W. Murphy, Paul C. Murphy, Dr. J. G. Murphy, Isaac Wright, Esq., C. C. Murphy and Edwin Murphy.

Tug Alexander Jones Overdue.

The Wilmington tug Alexander Jones, Captain W. A. Sanders, from Kingston, Jamaica, bound to this port with the schooner Carrie A. Norton in tow, is overdue since Sunday with favorable weather conditions but the owners are of the opinion that she encountered head winds on the voyage up and will be in all right in a day or two. Mr. Ed. B. Moore, agent for the Wilmington, Southport and Little River Company, is on board the Jones, having taken the trip down to Jamaica for pleasure. They arrived at Kingston December 16th and left there a week ago on Thursday.

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Livery of all kinds. Orrell Livery Co., 'phone 47. 2t

Sale of Wines and Liquors

We have just found time to look over our stock and we have left in the neighborhood of three thousand gallons of whiskeys and wines. We must dispose of this stock by December 31st, and in order to do so we will sell at any reasonable figures.

We have been in the wholesale and retail liquor business in connection with our grocery for seventeen consecutive years and we will not sacrifice the reputation we have earned by unfair dealings in closing this stock.

We ask you to write us, to 'phone, or to call in person and we assure you that you will find things as we represent them.

Very truly,

Sternberger Bros.

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FOR RENT

Three desirable offices on the second floor of THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

These rooms are well lighted, heated and ventilated. For terms apply to bank.

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Capt. Quinan in Command.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun has the following which will be read with interest by many friends of Capt. J. H. Quinan in this city: "Yesterday a crew of petty officers and seamen were sent from Arundel Cove to Camden, N. J., to man and bring to Baltimore the new revenue cutter Tahoma, which was to be turned over to the department yesterday. Capt. Johnstone H. Quinan has been ordered to command the Tahoma and will bring her to Baltimore. The Tahoma will be fitted out at the Revenue Cutter Service depot in Arundel Cove for her coming service in the Pacific. The Yamacraw, another new cutter built by the New York Shipbuilding Company at Camden, is expected to have an official trial today in the Delaware Bay."

Pretty Home Marriage.

The marriage on Monday night of Miss Ellen Byrd and Mr. Warren B. Stephens, which was solemnized at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. L. Spooner, No. 307 Brunswick street, was an event of interest to their many friends in this city. The officiating minister was Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, and the marriage vows were witnessed by a number of relatives and friends, who tendered them the best congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens will reside at Delgado.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

Wilmington Homestead & Loan.

In announcing a new series of stock to be opened on Saturday, Jan. 2nd, the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association addresses a pertinent inquiry to all who desire to begin the New Year with ideas of thrift and economy. With a record of the oldest institution of its kind in the city and the record of never having lost a cent since its establishment, the Wilmington Homestead & Loan especially commends itself to the careful investor and home builder.

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MORPHINE HOLDS CAPTIVE

Thousands of people who could be relieved by the Telfair Treatment—a recognized and successful cure for drug addictions. No excessive sweating; no unpleasant symptoms; no pain. Thoroughly scientific. The drug withdrawn—the desire destroyed. The Telfair Sanitarium, a large and commodious new sanitary building, fine porches; extensive grounds; privacy. Constant personal attention of skilled physicians and experienced attendant. Terms furnished on application to

The Telfair Sanitarium
Greensboro, - N. C.

FIGHTING IN VENEZUELA

Twenty Men Killed at Macuro During Engagement Between Adherents of Castro and Crew of Gunboat Miranda.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 29.—There has been fighting at Macuro on the Venezuelan coast between adherents of former President Castro and the crew of a gunboat working in the interests of the new President, Juan Vincente Gomez. About 20 men were killed and some 50 wounded. The Gomez party was obliged to withdraw temporarily but later returned to resume the engagement.

This news was brought in here by the Miranda, the gunboat in question.

The Miranda arived off Macuro yesterday morning. General Torres meanwhile had gotten together about 500 men and was prepared to resist a landing. The Miranda cleared and went into action. Under cover of her battery the men on board tried unsuccessfully to effect a landing. The fighting lasted about four hours. When the captain of the Miranda saw the situation was impossible he withdrew and came to Port of Spain arriving late yesterday afternoon. A dispatch was at once sent to President Gomez via Curacoa informing him of the situation. The Miranda then took coal. As soon as this news became known in Port of Spain a large contingent of the Venezuelan colony volunteered to help the government and the office of the Venezuelan consul was besieged by men anxious to return to Macuro and fight. A number of the volunteers went on board the gunboat which at once started back to Macuro where the engagement will be continued.

AMERICAN TO PLAY HERE

Exhibition Game With Wilmington Team on April 7th.

Wilmington fans will have an opportunity to witness a game between the New York American League team, and the local nine in the nature of an exhibition game, which is scheduled for April 7th. The Yankees go in training in Macon, Ga., on the first of March and next season will be under Manager George Stallings.

Two teams will be selected during the practice in Macon and on the first of April, and each will be sent out for exhibition games in various Southern cities, the second team coming here from Charleston, S. C. Only two North Carolina cities will be visited, the first team having scheduled a game at Charlotte. The exhibition games will wind-up the training in the South and the teams will depart for New York about the middle of April to begin the season.

GOLF TOURNAMENT.

Wilmington Man Will Be Contestant in Semi-Final Rounds.

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 29.—Low medal scores in contests ruled in today's match play rounds of the annual holiday week gold tournament.

James C. Parrish, Jr., of Shinnecock Hills, R. E. Sproule, of the Royal Portrush Club, Ireland, R. H. Gwaltney, of Esseeola Club, Wilmington, N. C., and H. E. Cushman, of the Winchester Country Club, Massachusetts, were the survivors and they will meet in tomorrow's semi-final round. The winners will decide the ownership of the President's, or first division cup in the afternoon finals.

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FLOOR FELL AT TRIAL

Forty People Seriously Injured at Elliott City, Md., When Upper Floor of Frame Building Collapsed. Negro on Trial.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 29.—The upper floor of Eaton Hall, a two-story frame building at Elliott City, 12 miles west of Baltimore, collapsed late this afternoon during a magistrate's hearing, being given Bill Hatwood, a negro, charged with a murderous assault. At least 100 were carried down and while no one was killed outright, between 30 and 40 persons, among the most prominent citizens of the town, were more or less seriously injured.

The overcrowded condition of the room was the cause of the accident. There was no warning of it. With a creaking sound the floor suddenly gave way. The people in the room were thrown into a struggling mass to a cement floor 20 feet below. Those who had been on the outskirts jumped through windows to the ground, or clutched remaining uprights to support themselves.

A fire horror undoubtedly was averted by the cool headedness of one man who quickly procured a bucket of water and dashed it over the burning coals in the stove which was dislodged when the crash came.

The work of extricating the victims was promptly begun and the most seriously injured were sent to hospitals, some being brought to Baltimore while those less severly hurt were taken to their homes. Hatwood, the prisoner was not hurt.

Feeling against him which ran high when he was apprehended for murderous attack on Charles E. Hill, was reawakened by the accident and talk of lynching was indulged in. The fact that the entire police force of the place had been disabled was commented upon and used as an argument that it would be to rush the jail. But sober counsel prevailed for a time at least, although there was a restless undercurrent of uneasiness around town.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICE.

Temperance People Invited to Gather at First Baptist.

An interesting service will be held at the First Baptist church on New Year's eve, which will be a gathering similar to the customary watch meeting with an added significance in the dawn of prohibition all over the State. The evening's exercises will begin at 8 o'clock and from that hour until 10 o'clock will be a social period followed by a regular programme which will consist of exercises suitable to the occasion.

Five minutes to 12 o'clock will mark the close of the night watch and the congregation will be in an attitude of prayer when the new year is ushered in. Friends of the cause of temperance generally are invited by the congregation of the First Baptist church, to attend the service.

Late yesterday all the men supposed to be buried in the trench that caved in at Ensley, near Birmingham, Ala., were accounted for, leaving the total death list at two.

Regular Interest Quarter

of The People's Savings Bank begins January 1st, deposit now and you will get your interest in Three months. 3t

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Pale Delicate Women and Girls.

The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

WARM WIRELETS.

The derelict schooner Warner Moore, recently abandoned off Winter Quarter Light by her crew, who were subsequently landed at Fortress Monroe, has been towed into Hampton Roads by the United States revenue cutter Seneca.

Cabinet officers are submitting to President Roosevelt their reports in answer to the Aldrich resolution as to the secret service, and it is considered probable the President will have ready to submit to the Appropriations Committee of the Senate all these reports soon after the re-assembling of Congress.

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STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to your Place of Business or Residence for Advertisements for our Business Locals Department. 'Phone the Star office, No. 51.

Rates—25 cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word in advance.

The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co., or for Notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charges for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for Advertisements always call the Star office, 'Phone 51.

MOTHER'S, how can you take the chance? Keep a bottle of mother's joy in your house. You need mother's joy every day. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

THE OLD RELIABLE, the Wilmington Pressing Club, is still running at the old stand on Second street. Others come and go, but the old Wilmington comes and stays. de-5-tf.

WANTED—Two barbers, $12 a week; sixty per cent. over twenty. J. D. Lorenz, Goldsboro, N. C. de 29 3t

YOUNG MAN with banking experience desires position as bookkeeper or office clerk. Best of references furnished. Address "B. A." care of Star office. dec 29 3t*

FARM FOR SALE—About twelve hundred acres, two hundred of which is cleared; good residence and only about three miles from city. Box 194. dec 29 1t*

MECHANICS' HOME ASSOCIATION—New series B. & L. stock. Walker Taylor, president; W. M. Cumming, secretary. de 18 tf ex su

FOR RENT—From January 1st, 1909, two stores at corner Nutt and Red Cross straets at present occupied by Mr. A. Rothschild. Apply to Martin O'Brien. de 27-2t*

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STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

MOTHER'S JOY is made of pure goose grease and other healing ingredients. Mothers, you can't afford to be without a box of mother's joy. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

FOR RENT—Eight-room house, all modern conveniences, on Fourth street, between Market and Princess. Possession given at once. D. R. Foster & Co., 206 Princess street. de 27-3t.

THE GILBERT HOUSE—Combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets; junction of all cars. Cars to depot. Steam heat, electric light and hot water. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Transient $1.25 to $1.50 per day. Rates to regular and table boarders. oct 25 tf

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage in center of city on car line. Has gas water, electric lights and telephone Splendid neighborhood. Address "B S. W." care of Star office. noc 25-tf

FOR RENT QUICK—30-acre farm, good house, barn, fruit trees and vines, on Shell road, three miles from the city. Address P. O. Box 906, Wilmington, N. C. de 24-6t.

LUMBER AT RETAIL—Grades and prices right. See us before buying Angola Lumber Co. aug 30 tf

DELMONICO CAFE—Blue Point oysters on half shell and quail on toast. de 1-1m

BOARDING—Permanent and Transient. Best location in city. Meals to suit the business men. Strictly up to date. Harnett House, 110 Princess St Hot and cold baths. Phone No. 713. sep 22-tf

FOR SALE—One sorrel horse, weighing 1,400 pounds, 7 years old; well broke, kind and gentle, sound in every way. Will sell or exchange for two smaller horses. This horse too large for our purpose. Address C. M Faircloth, Clinton, N. C. dec 11 4w

UPHOLSTERING, repairing, varnishing, at 114 1-2 Dock street. 'Phone No. 1465. Carolina Upholstering Company, P. J. Breen, manager. de 6 tf

NEAR THE CORNER of Ninth and Grace streets, a nice seven-room house with modern conveniences, for sale; size of lot, 33x85 feet with alley. Price $2,000. D. R. Foster & Co., 206 Princess street. Phone 1220. de 27-3t.

CABBAGE PLANTS—Garden plants grown in the open air will stand the coldest Winter. Price one to four thousand $1.50, four to nine thousand $1.25, over nine thousand $1 per thousand F. O. B. Meggetts, S. C. We have special express rates. Write us for agent's outfit and proposition. N H. Blitch Co., Meggetts, S. C. The largest truck farm in the world. dec 9 eod jan 1.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS — Overhauled, repaired and tuned. Work guaranteed. Address Geo. Haar, 315 South Fifth street. dec 2 eod 1m

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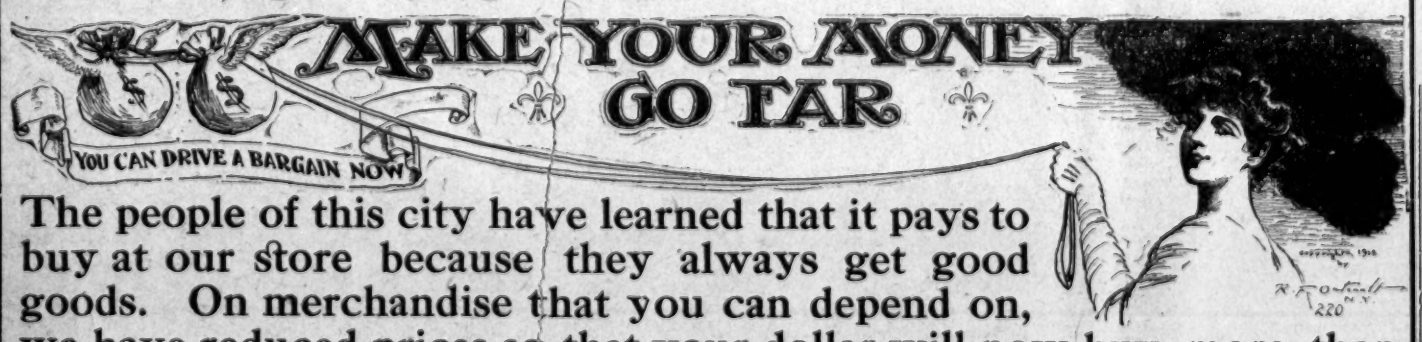
FOR RENT—Store and warehouse 108 North Water street, at present occupied by J. S. Funchess & Co. Possession given at once. Apply to Morris Bear & Bros. au 5 su-we-fri-tf.

MOTHER, do you hear that rattling in your baby's throat put a little of mother's joy on it and stop it at once. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

"The Store That's Always Busy."

With compliments of the season, we wish to thank our friends and patrons for their liberal support and patronage during 1908.



The people of this city have learned that it pays to buy at our store because they always get good goods. On merchandise that you can depend on, we have reduced prices so that your dollar will now buy more than a dollar's worth to you. Instead of packing away goods until next year we will sell them at short prices that will make your money go a long way.

Blankets and comforters reduced. Suits and cloaks reduced. Skirts and waists reduced. Underwear reduced.

Showing Spring Goods—During this week we will display our new embroideries, white goods and wash goods. Be among the first to see them.

BRUSHES

A Brush for Every Purpose!

The John L. Whiting make, America's standard brush manufacturers.

BRISTLE FLOOR BROOMS.
Rubber Corners, will not bruise furniture, at.....$1.75 and $2.25

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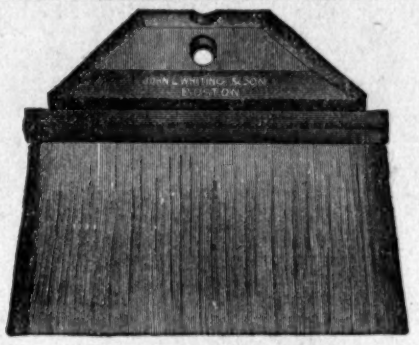
Cheaper styles, but good qualities .....$1.00 to $1.75



WHITEWASH BRUSHES.
Cheap grades .....25c to 50c
Good grades .....50c to $2.00

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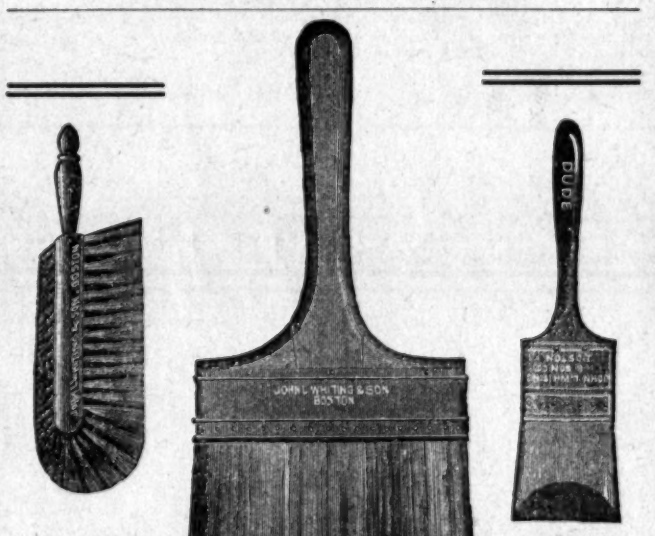

COUNTER BRUSHES.
30c, 40c, 50c

VARNISH BRUSHES
5c to $1.00

KALSOMINE BRUSHES.
Each.....50c to $5.00

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Long handles furnished; an efficient brush for cleaning high windows; can also be used on wood work. Prices.....50c and 60c

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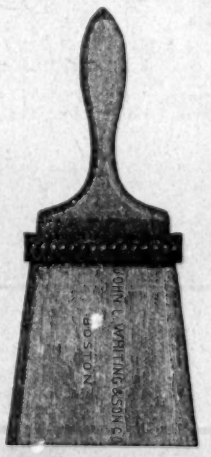
All brittle, each.....65c to 75c



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Each.....25c to $2.50

Floor Waxing and Polishing Brooms, Scrub Brushes and other kinds.

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PAINT STORE, 10 S. FRONT ST.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Newbern Sun: As is customary, soon after Christmas, preparations begin to be made for the shad fishing The first sign of this was noticed this morning along water front of East Front street. The old nets were being overhauled and examined. Shad fishing usually opens here about the middle of January.

—Charlotte Observer: The Charlotte friends of Mr. Frank P. Milburn, formerly of this city, but now of Washington, will be interested to learn that he has just secured through the Chinese legation in Washington the contract to draw the plans for a big Pekin printery, which the Chinese government will shortly build.

—Greensboro Record: The Supreme Court knocks Judge Peebles in his ruling from Swain county that a Sunday school was not a religious body. The higher court says there was error all around—with really nothing to adjudicate—but because of the importance of the case it goes into it and whacks it. The opinion was by Justice Walker.

—Bennettsville Advocate: Sheriff Green this year made 176,036 pounds of lint cotton on 340 acres, averaging 527 pounds to the acre. The tenant who made the best crop on the place was a widow, Mrs. Ella Mudd, who made 15,418 pounds on 25 acres, averaging 617 pounds of lint cotton to the acre. Sheriff Green has one of the finest plantations in the county, and always makes splendid crops.

—Greensboro Industrial News: At the annual meeting of the North Carolina National Guard Association, in session here yesterday, resolutions were adopted asking for an appropriation from the legislature of $50,000 for the National Guard of North Carolina to be expended by the advisory committee appointed by the association for the maintenance and expense of the National Guard of this State.

—Charlotte Observer: The extension of the suburban lines of the 4C's will eventually result in the purchase by the company of a number of freight cars for the transportation of traffic from one section of the city to another. For instance, reference has been made to the plans of the Highland Park and Chadwick-Hoskins Companies of building each a small waste yarn plant for the utilizing of that important by-product of their mills.

—Greenville Reflector: Saturday Mr. J. A. Tyson of this township brought a large cucumber to The Reflector office that was pulled from a vine in his garden the latter part of August, and was put away to dry for seed. At the time it was pulled the cucumber was yellow, but after it was put away it turned green again and grew about one-third larger than it was when pulled off the vine. This is no "fish story" either, as Mr. Tyson says he has plenty of witnesses to prove it by.

—Wilson Times: Dr. W. D. Crocker, of Lucama, who has been in the Sanatorium since last Friday on account of injuries received as the result of being thrown from his buggy, is able to be up again. The doctor was quite severely hurt and claims the accident was due to the carelessness of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, or its employes in leaving a lot of crossties so close to the track or the driveway in Black Creek that in the darkness of Friday night his buggy ran over them. He is suing for $5,000 damages.

—Rocky Mount Record: There is no denying that there was a drinking of whiskey in this city during the holiday just gone through with, but that it was done within moderation is shown by a look at the books of the Recorder, which shows only one drunk for the holiday and that a simple one without disorder. This is the first time in many years that the number has been so small and the only way to account for it is either the lack of the wherewithall to purchase, or else an effort to "get use" to affairs as they will be after Thursday, at which time eleven saloons in this city will be closed.

—Charlotte Observer: Mr. F. L. Black, a son of Rev. William Black, of this city, who has been practicing law in Maxton for the past several years, has decided to move to Charlotte to live and after the first of the new year will be associated with Mr. Chase Brenizer, the name of the firm being Brenizer & Black. Offices at present held by Mr. Brenizer will be retained until February 1st, when Rooms No. 509 and 510 in the Realty Building will be occupied. Mr. Black is a graduate of the University Law School and a most effective and pleasing speaker. He is a student who possesses those other qualities of energy, tact and experience so essential to one of his profession. For the past four years, he has been living in Maxton, the name of the law firm being McLean & Black.

—Asheville Citizen: Not a great many citizens realize the growth of industrial plants here in the last two years. At Biltmore the plants of the veneer company, ,eth United States Furniture Finishing Company, the Williams-Brownell Mills, the Westall Box Factory, the Biltmore Estate lumber plant, make a large showing from the railway. Near the depot extensive improvements are being made in the great Hans Rees tannery, further down the river the mica company's brick building is being rushed to completion, and still further along, always in operation, are the Asheville Cotton Mills, the Asheville Milling Company's plant, the Jones woodworking plant, and scattered between these two ice factories, the large cold storage plant, the Southern Railway shops. Still further down the river are the quarries, the Elk Mountain Cotton Mill, the great Weaver plant affording cheap electrical power to factories, and from it up the river will run the spur track, affording many factory sites which the Southern Railway will seek to locate here.

GEO. O. GAYLORD

first wish is to thank you and everyone of you for your liberal Christmas trade The year of 1908 has been a very hard year, but we have held our own, weathered the storm of financial depression and increased the size of our store to the amount of 7,000 feet of floor space. Christmas is over and has brought many pleasures to us all, and we are now thinking and planning for 1909.

TOY'S

We have not sold out our toys, the assortment is almost complete now. Sunday Schools and Charitable Institutions can get 25 per cent. discount on all their purchases in this line. We buy like we sell, very liberal. We are still receiving new goods.

A big assortment of new Kid Gloves just received, in all colors. Elegant new yard-wide Satin at $1.00 per yard. Special styles in children's Hats, were $1.75, now 98c. Ladies' Cloaks, they have taken a tumble in price as we have just bought a drummer's samples and we are letting them go at a big reduction. A few tailor-made Suits, were $10.00, now $7.50. In Furs we have a plenty. The up-to-date new Furs are sold at reasonable prices, and the cheap Furs are sold still cheaper.

OUR DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

has shared most liberal in our Christmas trade. The great quantity that we have sold still leaves aplenty that is new and up-to-date. We have a nice line of 54-inch Broadcloth that sold at $1.25 and $1.50, we are now selling at 98c per yard. Yard-wide Bleaching, nice quality at 7c per yard. Large assortment of Feather Pillows, a good pillow for 30c a piece; a 2 1-2 pound Pillow at 75c and up to a genuine down Pillow at $2.25. 64-inch wide Table Linen, strictly all linen at 60c per yard. 54-inch Mercerized Linen at 25c per yard.

Our Christmas trade has been better this year than last, which we justly feel very proud of. Thanking you again for your liberal support for the year of 1908, and ask that you continue through the year of 1909 the same. Remember

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We have just received a car load of

American Steel & Wire Co.'s

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Can furnish twenty-six inches to forty-seven inches high, both six and twelve inch stays.

Send us your orders.

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Furs! Furs!

We have on hand quite a nice selection of Furs, and any one contemplating purchasing should not fail to give us a call. Only a few pieces of Black Lynx left, and will not be able to order more on account of the great advance in price. Now is your opportunity.

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What shall I give for Christmas?

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The Hatter and Clothier

24 NORTH FRONT STREET.

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is at hand and Gifts for all must be provided.

Do you know of any gift to the family or friend which would be appreciated as much as one of our Bank Books with a few dollars to their credit?

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VIA

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ACCOUNT

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Tickets on sale December 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1908 and January 1st, 1909, limited to return not later than January 6th, 1909.

For further information, reservations, etc. Phone 160.

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REMOVAL

Ed. Guion, the Barber, has removed to 121 Market street, where he will be pleased to see all of his old customers and many new ones.

GUION, The Barber.

Seaboard Air Line Railway.

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Direct and shortest line to the principal cities, South and Southwest, also connects at Hamlet with Vestibule Trains North.

Tickets for passage for all trains are sold by this Company and accepted by the passenger with the understanding that this Company will not be responsible for failure to run its trains on schedule time or for any such delays as may be incident to their operation. Care is exercised to give correct time of connecting lines but this Company is not responsible for errors or omissions.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

No. 44 at 12:25 A. M. from Charlotte, Hamlet and local stations.

No. 40 arrives 12:20 P. M. from Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with No. 38 from Birmingham and Atlanta, No. 33 from Norfolk and Raleigh, No. 81 from New York and Washington, and all points North and South.

TRAINS LEAVE WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

	No. 45	No. 39.
Lv. Wilm't'n...	4:45 A. M.	3:00 P. M.
Ar. Lumb't'n...	7:11 A. M.	5:43 P. M.
Ar. Maxton....	7:52 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet....	8:45 A. M.	7:30 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet....	9:05 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe....	10:50 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte....	11:35 A. M.	11:30 P. M.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for Raleigh and Richmond and points North at Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Charlotte, with No. 84 for Washington and New York, No. 32 for Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

For time-tables and any information apply to your nearest Ticket Agent or Call Phone No. 1294.

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F. A. FETTER,
Agent
Phone 86, Wilmington, N. C.
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Traveling Passenger Agent.
Raleigh, N. C.

Atlantic Coast Line

Schedule in Effect Sept. 7, 1908.

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departures are given as information, as well as connections with other companies; but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	43.	No. 41.
Lv. Wilmington ..	9:00 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:03 pm	9:55 pm
Ar Wilson	1:00 m	10:52 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount...	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon.....	4:55 pm	2:36 pm
Ar Norfolk	5:55 pm	
Ar. Petersburg....	7:00 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	5:10 am
Ar. Washington....	11:50 pm	8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore.....	1:41 am	10:00 am
Ar. Philadelphia...	4:21 am	12:18 pm
Ar. New York.....	7:23 am	2:45 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 43.
Lv New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar Philadelphia	11:27 am	12:15 am
Ar Baltimore	2:12 pm	2:51 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv Norfolk		3:25 am
Lv Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar Weldon.....	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar Rocky Mount ..	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar Wilson.....	11:47 pm	1:58 pm
Ar Goldsboro.....	6:15 am	3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington ...	9:25 am	6:10 pm

BETWEEN ILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:30 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor..	9:05 am	7:20 pm	4:30 am
Ar Col'bia	12:25 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:15 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sa'n..	6:20 pm	2:10 am	9:54 am
Ar. Jk'ville		7 15 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		6:25 pm	12:15 am

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa.....	8:55 pm	7:00 am
Lv. Jacksonville...	8:55 am	7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah.....	1:05 pm	11:59 pm
Lv. Charleston.....	5:30 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia.....	4:30 pm	8:00 am
Ar. Florence.....	7:15 pm	2:55 am
Ar. Wilmington....	12:45 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound Daily.
Lv. Wilmington..	8:40 am	Ar 8:05 pm
Lv. Fayetteville.	12:10 pm	Ar 4:45 pm
Ar. Sanford.....	1:40 pm	Lv 3:30 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

	North-bound	South bound
Lv. Wilmington..	3:20 pm	1:00 pm
Ar. Newbern ...	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:25 am

Trains No. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Pennsylvania R. R., for all points east.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect, Saturday, October 31, 1908.

TO

THE BEACH

FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30:, 7:00, 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00 8:30 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

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TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:20, 7:25, 7:55, 8:25, 9:25, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:55, 5:25, 7:25, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:55, 10:55 A. M., 12:25, 1:55, 3:25, 3:55, 4:25, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55, 6:55, 7:55, 9:25, 10:30, 11:30 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM THE BEACH

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 10:45 A. M., 12:15, 1:45, 3:45, 5:15, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:45, 10:45 A. M. 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15, 5:45, 6:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

TO GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO FROM WILMINGTON

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, *2:25, 3:00, *3:45, 4:30 *5:05, 6:00, *6:05, 7:00, *7:05, 8:30, *9:05, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at *8:25, 9:30, *9:05, 10:00, 11:30 A. M. *12:05, 1:00, *1:25, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 P. M.

TO WILMINGTON FROM GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:35, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40, 9:40, 11:10 A. M., 12:40, 2:10, *2:35, *3:55, 4:10, *5:15, 5:40, *6:15, 6:40, *7:15, 8:10, *9:15, 9:40, 10:45, 11:45 P. M.

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*"Carolina" Car, all others shown in above schedule marked "Beach."

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S. S. "Carib".....December 19th
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WINTER SCHEDULE
Steamer Wilmington.

On and after Sunday, September 13th, steamer will leave daily at 9:30 A. M. for Southport returning leaves Southport at 2:30 P. M.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 29.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady 37c.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.70 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, firm $1.60.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $1.75 per barrel for hard; $2.75 for dip and $2.75 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine quiet 39 1-2; rosin quiet $2.55; tar, nothing doing; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	1
Rosin	146
Tar	115
Crude Turpentine	12

Receipts, same day last year, 7 casks spirits turpentine; 329 barrels rosin; 53 barrels tar; 34 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8 1-2 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Steady, 10 13-16c.

Receipts—1,931 bales, same day last year 2,785 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, December 29th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish, 75@80c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17c; shoulders 11 @12 1-2c; sides 12 1-2c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@35c for large springs; growns, dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr. flint, 10; green, dull 7c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90c per bushel.

SWEET—POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 12c.

TURKEYS—On foot 12 to 13c; 14 to 18c dressed. Dull demand.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 50c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8c; corn fed 8c for small pork.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—While trading was quiet and fluctuations were irregular within a narrow range, the cotton market found support on soft spots today and closed steady, net 2 points higher to 3 points lower. Sales were estimated at 125,000 bales.

The market opened steady at a decline of 4 points to an advance of 1 point, generally about 2 points lower in response to slightly disappointing cables, scattering liquidation and the absence of bull support. General business seemed to be restricted by the approaching three day adjournment and uncertainty regarding the extent and effect of January notices next Thursday, but there was a fair demand at the initial figures and active months soon rallied to about a point or two over the closing figures of last night. A spurt of realizing sent prices off to a net loss of 3 to 5 points shortly after midday, following which the market steadied again in the late trading on reports of steadier Southern markets and covering by January shorts, while there seemed to be a demand for October from Wall street sources.

Receipts at the ports today were 61,094 bales, against 76,528 last week and 111,005 bales last year; for the week 340,000 bales, against 365,363 last week and 361,976 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 18,544 bales, against 48,743 last year, and at Houston 20,334 bales, against 17,972 last year.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 9.30; middling gulf 9.55; sales 3,400 bales. Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month.	Open	Close.
December	9.08	9.07
January	8.68	8.72
February	——	8.76
March	8.80	8.81
April	——	8.87
May	8.88	8.90
June	8.86	8.86
July	8.89	8.88
August	8.80	8.80
September	8.66	8.66
October	8.66	8.66

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 31,323; stock 256,643.

New Orleans—Very steady, 8 13-16; net receipts 18,544; stock 309,420.

Mobile—Steady, 8 3-4; net receipts 1,713; stock 70,017.

Savannah—Firm, 8 1-2; net receipts 2,866; stock 157,347.

Charleston—Quiet, 8 1-2; net receipts 729; stock 20,269.

Wilmington—Quiet, 8 1-2; net receipts 1,931; stock 34,352.

Norfolk—Steady, 9.00; net receipts 2,310; stock 29,355.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9.00; stock 29,355.

New York—Quiet, 9.30; net receipts 1,109; stock 183,510.

Boston—Quiet, 9.30; net receipts 454.

Philadelphia—Steady, 9.55; net receipts 52; stock 4,226.

Brunswick—Stock 24,554.

Pensacola—Net receipts 63.

Total today, at all ports, Net 61,094; Continent 26,380; stock 1,118,802.

Consolidated, at all ports, Net 136,141; Great Britain 20,634; France 10,704; Continent 67,130; Japan 6,680.

Total since Sept. 1st, at all ports, Net 6,193,601; Great Britain 1,821,751; France 617,203; Continent 1,910,477; Japan 73,072; Mexico 4,103.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 20,334; stock 158,362.

Augusta—Steady, 9.00; net receipts 1,780; stock 104,468.

Memphis—Steady, 8 15-16; net receipts 3,072; stock 184,515.

St. Louis—Steady, 9 5-8; net receipts 35; stock 39,865.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 4,516; stock 18,736.

Louisville—Firm, 9 3-16.

Little Rock—Quiet, 8 3-8; net receipts 986; stock 47,,993.

Total today—Net receipts 30,729; shipments 29,313; sales 5,523; stock 553,939.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 29.—Cotton: Spot dull; prices 3 points higher; American middling fair 5.53; good middling 5.17; middling 4.99; low middling 4.79; good ordinary 4.28; ordinary 3.88.

The sales of the day were 5,000 bales of which 200 were for speculation and export and included 4,700 American. Receipts 68,000 bales including 62,100 American.

Futures opened steady and closed steady. December 4.84; December and January 4.80 1-2; January and February 4.79; February and March 4.78; March and April 4.77 1-2; April and May 4.77 1-2; May and June 4.78; June and July 4.78; July and August 4.77 1-2; August and September 4.70 1-2; September and October 4.66; October and November 4.62; November and December 4.60; December and January 4.59 1-2; January and February (1910) 4.59.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—The dry goods markets are generally quiet, the chief activity being in the jobbing houses where clearance sales are going on. Cotton yarns are steady and quiet. The export trade is steady. Linings are quiet. Dress goods for spring are being asked for more freely. There is a firmer tone noted in the prices asked for gray cottons.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—The rate at which prices started upward with the resumption of dealings in stocks after the Christmas holiday was not maintained on the second day of operations. Just what sentiment of opinion may have prompted the moderating of the movement is not clear, but a substantial check was encountered in the weight of the offerings to sell at the higher prices, for the level at the outset today was considerably higher. At the end of the day one point losses were numerous. The realizing pressure was most pronounced in some of the stocks which were most conspicuous, including some lower priced railroad stocks called eligible for mergers, but embracing also some of the higher priced speculative favorites. The Italian earthquake calamity brough no direct pressure on the market, but the sentimental effect of such great disasters is depressing to property values. The news of the Balkan situation also had some disquieting effect on foreign markets. Money was offered freely in time loans and rates declined. The closing tone of the stock market was distinctly weak after a day of hesitation.

Profit taking was an influence on some of the speculative bonds as well as stocks and the tone of the bond division was rather irregular. Dealings were still on a large scale. Total sales par value were $9,044,000. United States 3's declined 3-8 per cent. on call. Total sales of stocks today were 916,800 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—Money on call firm 3 to 3 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 3 1-4, closing bid 3, offered at 3. Time loans weaker on free offerings; sixty days and ninety days 3 1-4, six months 3 1-2 to 3 3-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4 1-2 per cent., sterling exchange easy with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8490 to 3.8510 for sixty day bills and at 4.8690 for demand. Commercial bills 4.84 5-8 to 4.84 3-4; bar silver 49 3-4. Mexican dollars 45.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	103
U. S. refunding 2s cou	104
U. S. 3s reg	101
U. S. 3s cou	101
U. S. 4s reg	120 1-8
U. S. 4s cou	121
Amr. Tobaco Co. 6s	108 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	96 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	101 1-4
L. & N. Unified 4s	103
Seaboard Air Line 4s b	66
Southern Railway 5s	109 3-4
U. S. Steel 5s	102 5-8

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	83 1-8
Amr. Car & Foundry	49 1-4
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	107 1-2
Amr. Cotton Oil Co	42
Amr. Locomotive	57 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref	83
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	102 1-2
Amr. Sugar Refining	130
Amr. Tobacco pfd	94
Atchison	100 3-8
Atchison pfd	103 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line	108 1-2
Baltimore & Ohio	110 3-4
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	93
Chesapeake & Ohio	57 1-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	150
Colorado & Southern	57
Erie	34 1-4
Erie 1st pfd	50 7-8
Erie 2nd pfd	40
Great Northern pfd	146 3-4
Kansas City Southern	40 1-4
Kansas City Southern pfd	70
L. & N.	122 1-2
Norfolk & Western	85 1-2
Northern Pacific	142 7-8
Pennsylvania	131 1-4
People's Gas	104 1-2
Reading	140 3-4
Rock Island Co.	24 1-4
Rock Island Co. pfd	60 1-2
Southern Pacific	121 1-8
Southern Pacific pfd	124 1-2
Southern Railway	26 1-4
Southern Railway pfd	62 1-2
Standard Oil Co.	——
Union Pacific	183 1-8
U. S. Steel	54 5-8
U. S. Steel pfd	112 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical	44 1-2
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	114
Western Union	68
Westinghouse Electric Co.	85 1-4

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—Flour dull but steady.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 1-2 elevator. Options 7-8c net rise. December 1.10 1-16; May 1.12; July 1.06 1-8.

Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 65 1-2 elevator. Options 1-8 to 1-4c net higher. December 66; May 67 7-8; July 67 3-4; September 67 3-4.

Oats—Spot steady; mixed 54 to 54 1-2.

Lard—Easy.

Pork—Steady.

Tallow—Steady.

Rice—Quiet.

Molasses—Quiet.

Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 3.17.

Coffee—Steady; Rio No. 7, 6 7-8; Santos No. 4, 7 7-8 to 8 1-8. Mild dull; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2. Futures closed firm at a net advance of 5 to 10 points.

Butter—Firm; creamery held, common to special 23 to 29 1-2.

Cheese—Quiet, unchanged.

Eggs—Easy 25; state, Pennsylvania and nearby selected white 38 to 40; fair to choice 35 to 37; brown and mixed fancy 33 to 35; fair to choice do 30 to 32.

Cotton Seed Oil was firm and higher on covering and bull support. Prime crude 30; prime summer yellow 38 3-4 to 40; off summer yellow 37 to 38; good off summer yellow 37 1-2 to 38; prime white 39 to 41 1-2; prime winter yellow 44 to 45 3-4.

Peanuts and Freights—Quiet.

Potatoes—Steady; European per bag 1.50 to 2.00; Southern sweet per barrel 1.50 to 2.00; Jersey per barrel 2.00 to 2.75.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Argentine advices formed the basis of a one cent advance in the price of wheat here today. The market closed steady at the top notch. Corn and oats also closed strong, but provisions were weak.

	Opening.	Highest.	Closing.
Wheat—			
Dec.	1 02 7-8	1 03 1-2	1 03 1-2
May	1 06 3-4	1 07 7-8	1 07 7-8
July	98 5-8	99 3-8	99 5-8
Corn—			
Dec.	57	57 1-2	57 1-2
May	60 7-8	61 5-8	61 5-8
July	61	61 3-4	61 3-4
Oats—			
Dec.	49 1-2	49 7-8	49 7-8
May	51 1-2	57 7-8	51 7-8
July	46 1-2	46 3-4	46 3-4
Mess Pork, per bbl.—			
Jan.	16 27 1-2	16 30	16 30
May	16 50	16 50	16 50
Lard, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	9.42 1-2	9 50	9 50
May	9 70	9 70	9 67 1-2
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—			
Jan.	8 32 1-2	8 32 1-2	8 30
May	8 65	8 67 1-2	8 65

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm; No. 2 spring wheat 1.06 to 1.08; No. 3 1.00 to 1.07; No. 2 red 1.04 5-8 to 1.05 7-8; No. 2 corn 58 to 1-4; No. 2 yellow 58 1-8 to 1-2; oats, No. 2 white 51 to 1-2; No. 3 white 48 1-2 to 51; No. 2 rye 72; good feeding barley 59 to 59 1-2; fair to choice malting 61 to 64; No. 1 northwestern 1.49; prime timothy seed 3.95; clover contract grades 9.10; short ribs, sides (loose) 7.87 1-2 to 8.87 1-2; mess pork per bbl. 14.50 to 14.62 1-2; lard, per 100 lbs 9.50; short clear sides (boxed) 8.50 to 8.75.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—Rosin and turpentine, steady.

Savannah, Dec. 29.—Spirits turpentine firm 38; sales 1,057; receipts 1,266; shipments 135. Rosin firm; sales 3,387; receipts 7,664; shipments 208; stock 165,880. Quote: B D and E, 3.02 1-2; F and G, 3.02 1-2 to 3.05; H, 3.40; I, 4.15; K, 5.10; M, 5.80; N, 6.15; WG, 6.40; WW, 6.50.

Charleston, Dec. 29.—Spirits turpentine firm 37 1-2. Rosin firm. Quote: A B C, 2.90 to 2.92 1-2; D, 2.90 to 2.92 1-2; E, 2.90 to 2.92.

MARINE

ARRIVED.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Smith, Fayetteville, C. P. Love.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

CLEARED.

Br. Str. Holmlea, Airey, Ghent, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Smith, Fayetteville, C. P. Love.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

Str. Carib, Devereaux, Georgetown, S. C., H. G. Smallbones.

EXPORTS—FOREIGN.

Ghent—Br. str. Holmlea, 5,700 bales of cotton, valued at $285,000; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 29, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—67 bales cotton; 3 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—215 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—1,387 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 4 barrels rosin; 21 barrels tar; 4 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—220 bales cotton; 63 barrels tar.

Str. City of Fayetteville—42 bales cotton; 142 barrels rosin; 28 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,931 bales cotton; 1 cask spirits turpentine; 146 barrels rosin; 115 barrels tar; 12 barrels crude turpentine.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Steamers.

Str. Helena (Br.) 2,708 tons, Kelley, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Cardigan (Br.) 2,689 tons, Davis, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Eriphi., (Ger.) 1,295 tons, Bellman, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Horace P. Shares, 392 tons, Flynn, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel L. Cook, 319 tons, Loveland, C. D. Maffitt.

Millie R. Bohannan, 570 tons, Little, C. D. Maffitt.

Ada F. Brown, 1,294 tons, Wallace, C. D. Maffitt.

Joel F. Sheppard, 493 tons, Sheppard, C. D. Maffitt.

John H. May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

Kineo, 1,867 tons, Patton, C. D. Maffitt.

Barges.

Flore, Little River, S. C., Hammer Lumber Co.

Had a Close Call.

Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles affected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50c and $1.00 Trial bottle free.

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We wish to thank our friends and patrons for the liberal patronage we have enjoyed, and we especially thank the little boys and and those who were interested in the bicycle contest, and we wish to announce the name of **Marion J. Smith**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Smith, as being the lucky winner of the bicycle, leading the contest with 2,281 votes.

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PROVING ALIBIS FOR NIGHT RIDERS

This The Defence in The Rankin Murder Trial.

THIS CHAIN OF TESTIMONY

To be Carried Out in Behalf of Each Defendant—Alibis Proven for Prisoners who Had Already Admitted Their Presence.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 29.—The eight night riders on trial for the murder of Captain Quentin Rankin, having plead not guilty, are trying to prove alibis. The testimony of the defendants that they were not present at the murder of Captain Rankin is to be strengthened by the testimony of scores of witnesses, most of them relatives of the defendants. Six of the defendants have been put on the stand. Tid Burton and Fred Pinion have not testified yet.

Each of the defendants remembered distinctly many persons who were in their homes the night of the Rankin murder and re-called many incidents that occurred then. Pressed to name persons who were present on other nights or to recite incidents that occurred a few days prior to the murder, they said they were unable to do so.

The cross examination of Attorney General Caldwell was severe. It demonstrated that each witness could remember nothing that happened any other night save the one on which Rankin was killed. A Mrs. Graney, mother-in-law of Wad Morris, one of the confederate riders, swore that her son-in-law was in bed the same room with her at 10 o'clock on the night of the killing and, therefore, could not have been at the murder as he says he was. She could not recall what time he went to bed on any other night since she had known him.

Sam Baker swore that Herschell Hogg, another confederate night rider, was in bed with him the night of the killing of Rankin. His memory as to other night was vague, however, and he said that he could not remember whether he talked with the lawyers for defense last night.

M. V. Reid father-in-law of Bud Morris, one of the defendants testified to an alibi for him and denied that he told a different story before the grand jury. Withered, wrinkled and poorly clad, Morris' mother, 85 years old, in a tired, homeless voice, swore that her son was at home the night of the murder. Other witnesses swore the same and the defense indicated that it would prove an alibi for each of the eight men, one by one.

Garrel Johnson, the reputed leader of the riders detailed their movements the night of the Rankin murder. He swore that the riders met at Marsh's store to prevent a raid by Lake county men as detailed by Frank Fehringer. The sheriff had authorized them to gather for protection. Johnson denied that any one was masked or that the men gathered there were night riders. In fact, he had never seen a night rider and would not know one if he saw him.

Arthur Cloar, one of the defendants, admitted going masked to a meeting called to give a whipping to an alleged thief. He declared, however, that the men at the meeting decided not to act and all went home. He denied joining the night riders or going on the rides.

Joe Hogg, father of Herschell Hogg, one of the confederate night riders, testified that his son who turned State's evidence, was at home and in bed and asleep on the night of the murder. Hersheel Hogg swore that he was present when Rankin was killed and identified some of the defendants as participants.

FATAL RAILWAY WRECK.

Fast Southern Train Ditched—Engineer Killed and Fireman Injured.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Danville, Va., Dec. 29.—A misplaced switch caused the derailment of mail and passenger train No. 35 on the Southern Railway at Stokesland Va., six miles south of Danville at 5:50 o'clock P. M., today. Engineer Satterfield was killed and Fireman Davis, colored, and three postal clerks were injured. No passengers, as far as is known, were injured.

The train, which left Washington at 8:15 this morning for the South, ran into a switch that was turned into the Danville & Western tracks which connect at that point with the Southern, although the signal light was properly displayed. The engine, baggage car and mail car turned over.

There was no interruption to traffic according to an official report received at the Southern Railway headquarters here. It is not known at this time what caused the switch to be turned.

RUEF SENTENCED.

San Francisco's Former Political Boss Gets Fourteen Years.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Abraham Ruef, formerly political boss of San Francisco today was sentenced to 14 years in the State penitentiary at San Quentin. Sentence was pronounced by Judge William P. Lawlor, who presided over Ruef's trial on the charge of bribing a member of the Schmitz board of supervisors in the award of an overhead trolley franchise to the United Railroads. The trial ended in the conviction of Ruef on December 10th, after lasting many weeks.

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THE HAINS-ANNIS TRIAL

Sensational Case of the Defense Developed—Evidence to Show Justification For Shooting of Annis By Captain Hains.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 29.—The defense of Thornton J. Hains, indicted with his brother Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., for the killing of William E. Annis, called two witnesses in today's session of the trial to show certain alleged acts of Mrs. Claudia Hains which the lawyers for the defendants claim so affected Captain Hains that he became mentally unbalanced.

Samuel Chester Reid, of Chicago, a friend of the Hains family, swore that Captain Hains told him of all his marital misfortunes and that the Captain evidenced signs of being irrational.

Before the close of the day's session the defense called to the stand a servant in Captain Hains' household, Minnie Rhone, who related certain alleged incidents in which Mrs. Claudia Hains and William E. Annis figured at the Hains home while Captain Hains was in the Philippines. These incidents, the witness said, she told to the Captain on his return. She was still under examination when court adjourned for the day. She said that Mrs. Hains had declared her affection for Annis and told of the alleged orgies held at the Hains home at Fort Hamilton.

Samuel C. Reid, building inspector of the United tSates training station at North Chicago, was called. The witness related a conversation he had with Captain Hains, who, the witness said, used such expressions as 'my life is ruined," and "I wish I was dead."

Mr. Reid said: "Captain Hains said he went to Fort Hamilton and found his wife, who wanted to know why he had returned home. 'Why, Claudia, your reputation is at stake. I have come from the utter ends of the earth to save you. I have heard gossip of you and Annis.' The Captain said his wife told him that the gossip was rediculous.

Mr. Reid said the Captain stated he invited Annis to dinner to show he did not believe the gossip. Witness said Captain Hains said his father told him there were things to be investigated and that he (Captain Hains) again spoke to his wife and she replied 'I do love Billy Annis.'

Witness said Captain Hains frequently expressed a desire to die and said Thornton had been so good to him. Mr. Reid said the captain sighed, moaned and quoted from Kiplings "Vampire" and said he never understood the poem before, but did so now.

Reid was excused and Minnie Rhone, a negress of Washington, D. C., took the stand. She is the cook in the Haines' household. The cook related the occurrences in the Hains home of which she said she told Captain Hains on his return from the west. The cook told the captain that his wife smoked cigarettes and that she went out auto riding with Annis and stayed away all night. The witness said she told Captain Hains that Mrs. Hains had told her that she loved "Billy" Annis for five years and that she did not know what love was when she married.

RECOMMEND PROSECUTION.

For Old Officers of Seminole Securities Company.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 29—At a meeting here today of the stockholders of the Seminole Securities Company, yesterday ordered into a receivership by Judge Watts, it was decided that a complete re-organization be effected if possible and resolutions were passed recommending that criminal proceedings be instituted against the old officers of the company and their agents, provided the evidence warrants prosecution. It was also decided that the new directors annul if possible the contract with the Southern Life Insurance Company by which the Seminole company purchased the stock of the Southern Life at what is alleged to have been an exhorbitant price. The receivers named by Judge Watts are: Huger Sinckler, of Charleston; E. J. Etheridge, of Leesville, S. C.; and F. G. Tompkins, of Columbia.

The new directors elected were R. T. Caston, Cheraw; Campbell Courtenay, Newry; T. W. Berry, Latta; E. J. Etheridge, Leesville; A. M. Kennedy, Williston; C. M. Snelling, Georgia; J. B. Watkins, Florida; J. S. Carr, North Carolina; S. N. Smith, West Virginia.

RECEIVERS' CERTIFICATES

Their Issuance for the Norfolk and Southern Authorized.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—A decree issued by Federal Judge Waddil today authorizes the issuance by the receivers of the Norfolk and Southern Railway of certificates of indebtedness to the amount of $1,000,000 for railroad completions, repairs, maintenance, etc. The certificates are not to be sold at less than $98 and bear 6 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually. The $1,000,000 issue is a prior lien on all the receivership property as well as its income. The court reserves the right to authorize a further issuance of certificates to the extent of $500,000, to be placed on a parity with the present issue, but any other issuance must come as a second lien only.

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THE EARTHQUAKE IN SOUTH ITALY

The Loss of Life and Destruction of Property Appalling.

FIFTY THOUSAND ARE DEAD

Description of the Fearful Scenes in Messina—Fire and Tidal Wave Add to Destruction of Life and Wreck of Buildings.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Rome, Dec. 29.—The Minister of Marine at 5 o'clock this afternoon received a wireless dispatch estimating the dead at Messina at 50,000. No news has yet been received from Reggio.

The earthquake in South Italy and Sicily yesterday morning wrecked city after city, and obliterated smaller towns and villages without number. Then a tidal wave swept along the strait of Messina and added to the horror, drowning the people in their helplessness and panic. Flames broke out in the devastated cities, and countless numbers of wounded men, women and children were burned to death.

Any adequate estimate of the total casualties is as yet quite impossible, but the Rome Tribuna places the number at between 60,000 and 70,000.

Messina has been fire swept. The dead there alone will run into the tens of thousands. Reggio is a sepulchre of the dead. Catania suffered heavily.

Mount Aetna, the volcano on the island of Sicily, is active. France, Great Britain and Russia are hurrying warships to the scene. Troops are being poured into the zone.

Catania, Dec. 29.—The following graphic story is told by a woman who arriver here from Messina this morning badly injured:

"Infernal is the only word that will adequately describe the fearful and terrifying scene," she said. "When the first shock came most of the city was fast asleep. I was awakened by the rocking of the house. Windows swayed and rattled and crockery and glass crashed to the floor. The next moment I was violently thrown out of my bed to the floor. It was half stunned, but knew that the only thing to do was to make my way out doors. The streets were filled. Everybody had rushed out in their night clothes, heedless of the rain falling in torrents. Terrified shrieks arose from all sides and we heard heartrending appeals for help from the unfortunates pinned beneath the ruins.

"Walls were tottering all around us, and not one of my party expected to escape alive. My brothers and sisters were with me, and in a frenzy of terror we groped our way through the streets, holding our own against the panic stricken people clambering over piles of ruins, until we finally reached a place of comparative safety. But this was not done before I was struck down and badly injured by a piece of furniture that fell out of the upper story of a house.

"All along the road we were jostled by fleeing people half clad like ourselves. The houses seemed to be crashing to the ground in whatever direction we turned.

"Presently the sea began to pour into the town. It seemed to me that this must mean the end of everything. The oncoming waters rolled in in a huge wave, accompanied by a terrifying roar. The sky was aglow with the reflection of burning palaces, and other buildings, and as if this was not enough there suddenly shot up into the sky a huge burst of flame followed by a crash that seemed to shake the whole town. This probably was the gas works blowing up.

"Eventually we reached the Public Square of Messina. Here we found two or three thousand utterly terrified people assembled. None of us knew what to do. We waited in an agony of fear. Men and women prayed, groaned and shrieked. I saw one of the big buildings front on the square collapse. It seemed to me that scores of persons were buried beneath the ruins. Then I lost consciousness and I remember no more."

Refugees are pouring into Catania by trains, steamers and automobiles. They are half naked and stupefied, with terror and suffering. Some of them appear almost insane from the horrors through which they have gone. In the beginning they could only babble "Messina has been devastated; the city has been annihilated." Little by little some idea of the indescribable horror at Messina was obtained from these unfortunates. They declare that thousands of demented survivors are still wandering about among the ruins of the city.

A wounded soldier said: "The spectacle was terrifying beyond words Dante's 'Inferno' gives you but a faint idea as to what happened yesterday morning at Messina. The first shock came before the sun had risen. It shook the city to its very foundations. Immediately the houses began to crumble. Those of us who were not killed at once made our way over undulating floors to the street. Buildings were crashing down through the rooms and the stairs were equally unsafe.

"I found the streets blocked by fallen houses. Balconies, chimneys, bell towers, entire walls had been thrown down. From every side of me arose the screams and moanings of the world. The people were half mad with excitement and fear. Most of them had rushed out in their night clothes. In a little while we were all shivering under a torrential downpour of rain. Everywhere there were dead bodies, nude, disfigured and mutilated. In the ruins I could see arms and legs moving helplessly. From every quarter came piteous appeals for aid.

"The portion of the town near the water was inundated by the tidal wave. The water reached to the shoulders of the fugitives and swept them away.

"The city hall, the cathedral and the barracks crumbled, and other public buildings and dwellings without number were literally razed to the ground. There were 200 customs agents at the barracks; only 41 of them were saved. At the railroad station only eight out of the 280 employes have been accounted for.

"Many of those who succeeded in escaping with their lives are incapable of relating their experiences coherently. I questioned all who were in a condition to talk. Most of them told the same story. They said the first thing they knew they were throw out of bed and amid crashing ceilings and falling furniture managed to make their way to the street. Then in the blackness of night and amid a pouring rain, that added to their horror and distress, they rushed blindly away amid the crash of tumbling buildings and the shrieks and groans of those buried in the ruins.

"Many, while trying to escape, were struck down by falling balconies and masonry, and still many others lost their reason and are today wandering aimlessly in the open fields outside the city or up and down the ruined streets they knew so well.

"The looters and the robbers were shot dead by the soldiers."

It has been proposed here today to remove all the survivors of Messina to Catania.

The previous reports from the provinces that a number of villages were ravaged have been confirmed. Seventeen persons are dead at Riposto. The town of Seminaria in Calabria, 20 miles from Reggia, is said to have been destroyed with the loss of 100 lives.

Messina and Catania, in Sicily, are the two largest cities that have suffered in this earthquake. Messina has a population of about 100,000 while Catania has about 140,,00 people. Messina is on the west side of the strait of Messina near the narrowest part. Catania is south of Messina on the east coast of the island. Reggio is the capital of the province of Reggio di Calabria, and the population is about 50,000. This city is on the east side of the strait not far from Messina. Riposto is in Sicily, ten miles southwest of Taormina. It has a population of something over 7,000.

The other towns mentioned in today's dispatches are in Calabria. Bagnara is 16 miles northeast of Reggio and has a population of 7,500. Cosenza is the capital of Cosenza province in a commune that has 21,000 inhabitants, and 34 miles to the north of Cassano, with 6,700 people. Palmi is 20 miles to the north of Reggio and has a population of something over 10,000 while San Giovanni, with a population of 12,000, is 25 miles east of Cosenza.

GOVERNMENT LENDS AID.

Assistance of Coastwise Vessels Means Much to Commerce.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 29.—Instead of dynamiting the derelict schooner Warner Moore, which was abandoned in a waterlogged condition off the Virginia coast recently the United States cutter Seneca took her in hand and is now steaming with her to Norfolk according to a wireless dispatch to the revenue cutter Mohawk today.

News of the government's action in saving the derelict schooners created pronounced interest in coastwise shipping circles, where it was interpreted as marking the beginning of a new era in methods of handling such cases as those of the Warner Moore and the W. J. Lermond. Fields S. Pendleton, president of the Atlantic Carriers' Association, one of the owners of the W. J. Lermond, before leaving tonight for Norfolk, Va., to take charge of the schooner on her arrival there said:

"This is the first big move the government has made in aid of the owners of sailing vessels in years. It means much to commerce. The saving of those two schooners is a triumph both of the development of wireless telegraphy and of the installation of same on the Seneca."

AMERICAN CONSUL KILLED

Arthur S. Scheney and Wife Among Victims of Earthquake in Sicily.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 29.—That Arthur S. Cheney, American consul at Messina, Sicily and his wife, lost their lives in the earthquake which devastated that city yesterday, is indicated by an official dispatch received tonight by the State Department from Stuart Lupton, American vice consul at Messina. The dispatch which was from Malta follows:

"The Messina consulate destroyed and consus and wife supposed to be dead.

(Signed) UPTON."

Arthur S. Cheney is a native of Illinois, but was appointed consul to Messina from Connecticut August 15, 1905. Stuart Lupton, who is from Tennessee, was only recently appointed vice and deputy consult at Messina and had just arrived at his post.

COAL MINE DISASTER

Forty to Sixty Men Entombed in West Virginia Coal Mine.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 29.—Meagre reports of a coal mine disaster at Lick Branch, Va., reached here tonight. Between 40 and 60 men are said to have been imprisoned and up to 5 o'clock this evening rescuing parties had been unable to go into the shaft because of fire and smoke. Lick Branch is the name of a coal operation on the Pocahontas division of the Norfolk and Western Railway and is without commercial telegraph facilities. Because of the isolation of the scene of the reported disaster no particulars have been learned here.

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NEGRO THREATENED REVENGE

Home of Constable Culpepper Being Guarded by Citizens.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—News reached the city tonight that the villagers at Deep Creek, Norfolk county, seven miles south of Portsmouth, armed with repeating rifles, shot guns and pistols, on Monday night guarded the home of Constable Culpepper, to protect him from negroes. Tonight the home is again being guarded and there are fears of trouble between the whites and blacks.

On Christmas day Constable Culpepper shot George Riddick, a negro. Riddick resisted when placed under arrest for a minor offense and made a movement as if to draw a pistol from his hip pocket. Culpepper then shot him and he died. The officer was exonerated. The negroes are in the majority at Deep Creek and threatened to revenge Riddicks death. Word of their intention reached the ears of white residents and they flocked to Culpepper's assistance. The negroes dispersed without carrying out their threats.

Bewildering France.

There are in France two Bordeaux, the one in the Gironde and a tiny place in the Loiret. There are two Toulouses, the old town in the Haute-Garonne and Toulouse du Jura, a village with 600 inhabitants, near Lons-le-Saunier. There is Tours in Touraine, Balzac's Tours in the Indre-et-Loire and Tours, a village in Savoy, near Albertville. There are seven St. Cyrs simple St. Cyrs, that is, and twenty-four with something tacked on to them; seven St. Denises and forty-seven with some addition, fourteen St. Germains and 114 with something tacked on.

Great Lovers of Water.

The Siamese are more devoted to the water than any other nation in the world. They are nearly always bathing, generally with their clothes on, and they never go anywhere by land if they can possibly go by water. The streets of Bangkok are like those of Venice, and the inhabitants say that their idea of paradise would be a town with canals where there were currents in both directions, so that they might be spared the effort of rowing.

The Sorrow of It.

"It's too bad," observed the man who seemed to be thinking aloud.

"What's too bad?" queried the party who had overheard the observation.

"That our neighbors always know when we have fried onions for supper, but never get next when we have strawberries and ice cream," explained the noisy thinker.—Chicago News.

The Weather.

"Do you think there is any reliable way of foretelling the weather?"

"Yep," answered Farmer Corntossel. "Jes' think of the kind you don't want and then prophesy it."—Washington Star.

Full of It.

Mrs. Caterby—In a short time now we will do all our heating by alcohol. Caterby—That's good. All we'll have to do will be to connect your Uncle Jake to the furnace and range.—Life.

Foolish Question.

"Why, my boy, did you fall in that open coal hole?"

"No; course not. I wuz in here, an' they built a pavement over me."—Illustrated Bits.

By the streets of "by and by" one arrives at the house of "never."—Cervantes

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Attention Naval Reserves.

You are hereby ordered to report at Armory tonight at 8 o'clock for preparatory drill, for annual inspection Thursday night, Dec. 31st.

By order

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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

We wish to thank our friends and customers one and all for the liberal patronage given us during the year 1908 and solicit a continuation of same during 1909.

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